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## HONG KONG OVERTURES.

ATTEMPT TO EXTEND CANTON COUP.

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Government Troops May Oust Communists.

KWANGSI ADMINISTRATION TRYING TO REGAIN CONTROL.

Efforts have been made to extend the influence of the Canton Communist coup to Hong Kong but no response has been forthcoming. Written circulars have been dropped in on workmen in the Colony asking them to join in a one-day strike which was suggested for to-day.

By to-night it is expected that the Canton Government forces will have regained the upper hand in the struggle with their opponents. Reinforcements are arriving at Canton to supplement the counter-attack on the Communists.

Determined attacks by the Ironsides yesterday reached a head last night but attempts to secure a firm footing failed. The turning point in the struggle should come to-day.

Political issues are becoming manifest in that the Kwangsi administration which was overthrown last month by the Ironsides is trying to take advantage of the situation.

## GIRL FANATICS RUN AMOK.

The "China Mail" has come into possession of one of the "Red" circulars. All written in Chinese, it is an exhortation to workers in Hong Kong to stop work to-day to celebrate the "victory of the Labour and Peasants Soldiers in Canton in their revolution."

A chop which is blurred appears at the end and the order for a holiday is claimed to emanate from the delegates' council of all-Hong Kong labour.

The writing is in "foreign" ink, which a Chinese pen, on lined Chinese letter paper. Contained in an envelope it was thrown into workmen's premises through a window.

## GRAND ASSAULT.

Reinforced Ironsides Expected to Win To-night.

Early this morning, the Canton Government forces on Honam, on the south side of the harbour, embarked in armed launches and small craft to pave the way for a grand assault in which reinforcements from up-country were to be thrown in immediately on their arrival.

The Canton Navy has remained loyal to the Ironsides throughout. Several gunboats have taken up positions on the River, commanding strategic points on the north bank (i.e. the city) in order to cover the landing of loyalists.

## Saviours From Kongmoon?

About 4 p.m. yesterday, 2,000 Cantonese troops embarked at Kongmoon on a fleet of commandeered tow-boats for Canton, where they are expected this morning. The units belong to the 5th Army under General Li Fook-lum of Honam (known also as the "Papersides") and to the new 2nd division, both of which joined the Ironsides in the coup against the Kwangsi faction.

They were only recently despatched from Canton to take over the Kongmoon area from the Kwangsi garrison which had evacuated. In two localities yesterday, the Ironsides secured a footing in Canton city but their position, assailed by snipers from vantage points in narrow streets, was untenable.

## Under Cover of Navy.

It transpired that about 1,000 gendarmes, who are very well armed and equipped, escaped from Canton on Sunday, crossing over to Honam. These men played a conspicuous part in the counter-attack on the Communists.

Last night a Paperside detachment landed under cover of a gunboat and armed launches and was last reported to be holding on to a position near the east bund.

The Hong Kong s.s. "Yuet On," arriving at Canton yesterday morning, went within the range of volleys fired from a machine gun on a gunboat at the city but soon steamed out of danger.

## Preliminary Sorties.

It was also reported yesterday that the gendarmes had retaken Police Headquarters. This has not been confirmed. Police Headquarters is a fairly long distance from the Bund and loyalist cap-

tors would be in a comparatively isolated position should they have ventured so far without adequate support.

However, yesterday's incidents in the fight point to renewed efforts by the Ironsides to-day which should culminate in a grand assault to-day or to-night.

## Government Superiority.

Observers are of the opinion that the superiority still lies with the Government although their forces are at present outnumbered.

Hostilities with the Kwangsi military faction along the West River and in the East River basin will hinder the recall of Ironsides units to defend their capital but it is still thought sufficient troops can be spared to turn the tide against a motley rabble of semi-bandits, labour bullies and liberated jailbirds.

## HOW MANY REDS?

Railways Held: Risings Up-Country.

That the Reds number 20,000 is, in the opinion of the "China Mail" political correspondent, an exaggeration, in spite of their ranks being increased daily by extremist workmen.

A vital advantage which the Red rebels have is that they have stopped rail traffic on the three lines running out of Canton. The Reds have probably not ventured any further out than the city termini but by making use of the railwaymen, they have cut off means by which the Ironsides could converge on the city from several directions.

Unconfirmed news is that Communist risings have occurred at Shekji (capital of the Heungshan district) in the West River delta and at Fatsan, a short distance west of Canton, where the railway station is said to have been turned into a Red camp. Fatsan is connected to Canton by a railway.

## POLITICAL ISSUES.

Diversion as Help for Kwangsi Faction.

Political issues have become apparent. There is no evidence that the Communists were inspired, or even encouraged by the Kwangsi military faction which to-day is at war with the Ironsides.

But the creation of such a serious diversion in the southern metropolis is a great help to the Kwangsi cause.

Unfortunately for the Kwangsi generals, they were caught off their balance, unprepared. They had made up their minds to retire and cannot gather momentum in time to advance again on the Ironsides, either from Swatow, or down the West River.

By the time the Kwangsi units are ready to move, again the Ironsides may have the situation in hand.

## Politicians Responsible?

At any rate there is the possibility of a unique, three-cornered

## TROOPS IN CHINA.

Now Nine Infantry Units Here.

PARLIAMENT'S THANKS.

Tommies From Shanghai Run Out Of Cigarettes.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Wellock, Captain King said there were now nine infantry battalions in China, of which six were at Shanghai. Sir H. Page Croft asked whether it was proposed to set aside a day for Parliament to thank the troops in China for their exemplary conduct.

Capt. King said that Wednesday's debate would provide an opportunity.

"Send us smokes" was the new form of "S.O.S." sent out by the steamer "Bellerophon," when nearing the Mersey from Shanghai with 600 troops. Tobacco supplies were exhausted and a tender was despatched from Liverpool and—dispensed cigarettes to the eager Tommies lining the bulwarks. One impatient sufferer overbalanced and fell on a tender rope, being knocked unconscious. When resuscitated he immediately requested a "rag."—Reuter.

## NEW G.O.C., CHINA.

Major-General Wardrop Is Appointed.

London, Yesterday. Major-General J. Duncan has been appointed G.O.C. First Division and Major-General A. E. Wardrop succeeds him as G.O.C. the North China Command.—Reuter.

## Shanghai Expenses.

London, Yesterday. An Army Supplementary Estimate has been issued for £3,090,000 as a further amount required during the year ending March 31, to meet the cost of the troops in China.

## Home Astonishment.

Later. The House of Commons members are astonished at the amount of the supplementary estimate for the Shanghai Defence Force, which has exceeded any amount previously suggested.

An interesting debate is expected when the estimate is discussed later in the week, and no doubt the subject of the maintenance of the Force will be raised again.

At the same time Ministerial circles think the need for troops in China is as great as ever, in regard to which the Communist riots in Canton are a vivid reminder.—Reuter.

struggle involving two political factions and a mutual foe—the Reds.

Circumstances point to there having been a good deal of plotting prior to the Communists' rising. On the face of it, a handful of the Canton politicians (i.e. of the Leftist clique) were responsible for treating with the Reds; while the Canton generals preferred a moderate administration without any red taint.

## Russian Master-Mind.

Chinese reports mention the name of a notorious Russian agitator who is alleged to have arrived at Canton some days before the coup. He is accused of being the master mind behind the dramatic movements of this week.

General Teng Yen-ta, who professed most violent theories before being expelled from Hankow, is stated to be bound for his native Canton to take charge of military operations.

Rather surprising is the news that most if not all of the Hong Kong steamboats have resumed running to Canton.

The "Fung On," "Kinshan" and others left last night, taking good care not to have to pass Bocca Tigris or Whampoa Forts in darkness. The "Kinshan" sailed this morning.

## Big Exodus.

This change in front does not signify peace in Canton. It is anticipated that the steamboats will not berth at their wharves (which are alongside the west bund, where the Reds are in control) but rather will anchor in the Back Reach, in the view of the foreign men-of-war.

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## UNDER FIRE.

Threatened Invasion At Wuchow.

KWANGSI VICTORIES.

Bandit Forces Defeated By Provincial Troops.

[From An Occasional Correspondent.]

Wuchow, Sunday. All immediate danger of a Cantonese invasion has been removed by the recent defeat of the Ironsides at Kweihu, which is a small town south-west of Dosing. Here the advance guards of the Ironsides came in contact with the outposts of the Kwangsi soldiery. The Cantonese opened fire and were quickly driven back to their lines at Kweihu, when the main body offered battle to the advancing Kwangsi troops and, after an engagement lasting nearly three days, were driven out of the town, retreating to Tak-hing.

## Ironsides Defeated.

The Cantonese garrison at this place, seeing their defeated com-



General Pei Chung-hai, one of the "big four" of the Kwangsi military faction: He is believed to be in Nanking or Shanghai but his friends in Wuchow think that he is at Swatow.

rades returning and passing them on their way down the West River, fled also, but stopped at Shihing, where they are now concentrating, awaiting reinforcements and orders.

The Ironsides coming up the east bank of the West River, fought a small engagement at Fungchuen, but were defeated and they also have retreated to their base at Shihing.

## Kwangsi Troops Dig In.

The Kwangsi units are now said to have dug themselves in just below Tak-hing, and are awaiting the arrival of their comrades from the East and North River areas, who are marching overland to the de-

## CLOUDY—AND RAIN!

Weather Forecast Not Promising.

"East winds, fresh generally cloudy, some rain" is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow.

The anticyclone has strengthened. It is now central over S. Manchuria.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected along the coast of China and over the China Sea.

fence of their native province.

There is a persistent rumour in the city that General Pei Chung-hai has wired from Swatow to the Provincial Government that if the Ironsides persist in their advance up the river, that he will order his forces in Swatow to march immediately upon Canton. This is said to have had the effect of holding up the Cantonese advance.

## What Really Happened.

Several days ago, news came down the river that the Kweilin garrison had turned over to the Cantonese and that the Kweiping defenders had declared their independence and were marching on Wuchow 5,000 strong. Later information states that this news was false. What actually happened was that at both places bandits took advantage of the unsettled conditions to commit acts

## TOO SEVERE?

Boarding Sentences Revised.

MARINE COURT DECISION.

Skipper Fined Though Compradore At Fault.

Mr. M. K. Lo appeared at the Marine Court this morning on behalf of 15 of the 17 men who last week were sentenced by Lt.-Commander G.F. Hole R.N. to imprisonment without the option of a fine for boarding the s.s. "President Pierce" without permission.

At the original hearing two of the men who had previous convictions were sentenced to two months' imprisonment without the option of a fine and the remaining fifteen were sentenced to a month's imprisonment without the option of a fine. They consisted of boarding house runners and passenger boat masters and mistresses.

Mr. Lo argued that the imposition of a sentence of imprisonment without the option of a fine was too severe particularly for first offenders and having regard to the fact that there had been no special circumstances such as taking on board illegal cargo. He thought that the Police were not opposed to the sentence being revised and he asked His Worship to take this into consideration.

His Worship produced the Police letter on the subject and remarked that they were not opposed, and Inspector Airis, who was present, also indicated that he had no objection to a review of the case.

His Worship, after further legal argument, agreed to reduce the sentence on the fifteen with no previous convictions to six days' hard labour and as they have already served this period, they will be released. The sentences against the two with previous convictions remain.

## Captain Fined.

Capt. Ellis Walker, of the s.s. "China Hua," (China Navigation Company) was charged with giving false information in his clearance with regard to the number of passengers carried.

Evidence was given by the Boarding Officer who went on board as there being twenty-five passengers as opposed to the one contained in the clearance.

The defendant said that he left the ship to go to the Company's offices where he was told that one passenger only was being taken. The Boarding Officer was on the ship when defendant returned and the compradore stated in reply to defendant's question, that four men he observed on the ship were super-cargoes to look after the pigs. The compradore informed the Boarding Officer that there was only one passenger but whilst he was talking to the Boarding Officer, about twenty passengers came out from the 2nd Class quarters.

His Worship commented that it seemed unfair, but under the Ordinance he was obliged to hold the master of a ship responsible for any such wrong declaration and not the compradore. His sympathies were with the master as the compradore seemed entirely to blame.

The sentence would be \$100 fine or in default a month's imprisonment.

## MR. F. C. BARRY.

IN HOSPITAL WITH TYPHOID FEVER.

Mr. F. C. Barry, accountant of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., has been in the Peak Hospital since December 4 suffering from typhoid. At first his condition was very serious, but this morning he is reported to have taken a turn for the better, although he is still not yet out of danger.

of violence, and the provincial troops defeated them.

Bank Re-Opens. After being closed for several days and having moved the specie away, the Bank of Kwangsi is now open for business, doing same, however, on a limited scale. Food prices are being stabilised once more, and the whole atmosphere is clarified again. Proclamations are being issued in the name of General Ip Teng-yeung, acting for General Wong Shu-hung, as his representative who has been invested with the full authority of his chief.

H.M.S. "Moth" is in port.

## COUP BRINGS RELEASE.

RUSSIAN'S FLIGHT FROM CANTON.

GRAPHIC STORY TOLD.

Let Out of "Cage" By Red Sashed Soldiers.

REFUGEE COUNTS FIFTY DEAD BODIES IN ONE CITY STREET.

Arriving in the Colony on board the s.s. "Taishan" a "White" Russian named Nicholas Grigorovich Bykoff gave himself up to the police as a destitute yesterday, and was this morning produced before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy, when he was committed to the House of Detention.

Bykoff had a very interesting story to tell about his experience in Canton, where he had been imprisoned without any charge being preferred against him for six months.

Suddenly at 4 o'clock on Sunday morning he found himself a free man as the result of the "Red" coup in Canton. The prison where he was confined with other political prisoners was taken charge of by the "Reds," who immediately released all the prisoners.

## FUTILE SEARCH FOR SHAMEEN.

Bykoff was born in Brest-Litovsk, Poland, and his parents settled in Vladivostok when he was very young. He left school in Vladivostok in 1909 and studied in the Marine Deck Officers' School, and received his Master's certificate in 1912. He then entered the service of the Russian Volunteer Fleet, with which he stayed until 1914 when he volunteered for war service and joined the 179th Ust-Dvinsky Regiment and did duty on the Northwest Frontier.

## Military Training.

In 1915 he was sent to the Irkutsk Military School for four months' training and left with the rank of Ensign. In 1918 he went to Vladivostok as a Lieutenant of Ataman Kolmakoff's troops. In 1920 these troops retreated to Fooklin, and severing his connection with them, Bykoff went to Harbin and thence to Vladivostok which he reached in 1921.

In Vladivostok he joined a "White" Regiment in 1922 and stayed with his regiment until the "Reds" took control of the town, when he fled to Genseng, Korea. Thence he went to Tientsin where he obtained work in a baker's shop. The year 1924 saw him in General Chang Chung-chang's army under General Nicheff. The following year he contracted typhoid in Tsingtau, and afterwards obtained his discharge from Chang's army and proceeded to Shanghai where he did odd jobs.

## At Swatow.

He went to Swatow in May, 1927, and immediately he landed he was met by a Military picket in green uniform and was taken before a General who ordered him to be imprisoned. The following month he was put on board a Chinese gunboat and taken to Canton where he was landed. Again he was arrested immediately he put foot on shore, this time by the police at Canton. He was taken to Police Headquarters where he was kept in a cell with some Chinese prisoners without any charge being preferred against him. He did not see any other Russian or European prisoners. Whilst he was in prison, he saw from time to time from his "cage" about 40 Chinese who were political prisoners taken out and shot.

His frame of mind can be imagined when some of the guards kept on saying "By and by" to him after each execution, so that he was constantly living under the dread that he would be the next to be shot. The only food he had whilst he was in his "cage," in which there were altogether about 60 prisoners, was rice and vegetables. It was very seldom that he got any meat or salt fish. The result was that he thinned to almost half his former self.

## The Rising.

Coming to the "Red" rising in Canton on Sunday, and his unexpected deliverance, Bykoff said that at 4 a.m., on Sunday, he was awakened by his fellow prisoners, and heard shooting and cries in the street outside the prison. Then men with red sashes and armlets broke into the prison. They spoke in the Northern dialect and questioned the prisoners in it. Bykoff's "cage" and thirty-four out of the sixty who claimed that they were political prisoners, were released. Then the "Reds" noticed Bykoff in a corner of the cell and asked him

his nationality. When he said he was a Russian the "Reds" immediately concluded that he was of their hue, and remarking "As you are a political prisoner, you can go," they set him free with the 34 Chinese prisoners.

When he got into the street, Bykoff found it deserted except for dead bodies. He counted fifty bodies, mostly in police uniform lying in the street. The Chinese prisoners immediately they left the prison ran in all directions.

Bykoff concentrated upon getting to the waterfront in the hope of reaching Shameen, which he had heard a lot of as a foreign concession but had never seen, because he was not five minutes ashore in Canton when he was thrown in prison. Although he discovered afterwards that the prison in which he was confined was a short distance from the waterfront, Bykoff took 1½ hours to reach it, after running about aimlessly up and down countless narrow streets which seemed to take him nowhere. There was no one in the streets to ask directions from and it was just luck which eventually brought him to the river.

On Waterfront. Once he passed the Shameen, and was actually opposite it, but did not recognise the place as the foreign concession. Eventually he stumbled up to the China Navigation Company's wharf which was empty. He decided to wait, and after about ten minutes or a quarter of an hour, the s.s. "Taishan" came alongside. He went on board and saw the Chief Officer whom he begged to take him to Hong Kong.

This the Chief Officer refused to do because Bykoff had no papers, but when Bykoff undertook to surrender to the police immediately on arrival in Hong Kong, the Chief Officer agreed to take him on board.

Bykoff said that he had some luggage when he landed in Canton, but could not move these when he was released. He only had time to snatch up a few pieces of clothing and dash out, "In case the soldiers should change their minds, or take it into their heads to ask questions."

Friends in Shanghai. He took particular care to take with him a waistcoat in the lining of which was concealed \$40, but during his wandering of the streets it must have dropped from the bundle, for it was not amongst his other things when he took stock of his property on board the "Taishan."

His Chinese passport, Bykoff said, was taken away from him by the military in Swatow, so that he had nothing to prove his identity, but he has friends in Shanghai who would help him, and he wished to go there.

His parents, he said, were still living in Vladivostok, and he had not seen them for six years, or heard anything of them.

A foreigner named Charles J. Hiron was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy with (1) obstructing the engine room man at the Hong Kong Tramway Company's depot off Bowring Canal, (2) tampering with the machinery, and (3) trespassing into the depot. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10 on the "obstruction" charge, and \$5 on the "trespass" count.







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## THE CHRISTIE CASE.

Defendant in Witness  
Box.

## TOTAL DENIAL.

Asserts That Oil Was Subject Of  
Negotiations.

The alleged morphia deal case against James Christie and Christopher Blum was resumed before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when the defence was opened by Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask who put Christie in the witness box.

Christie gave his evidence in the absence of Blum, who on his Worship's suggestion was removed from the Court.

Answering Mr. Gordon Leask, Christie said that he had been in China for thirty years. Amongst other things, he had been a professional fighter, hotel proprietor, mining merchant and commission agent.

Regarding his recent visits to Hong Kong, defendant said that he arrived in Hong Kong on July 1, 1927, and stayed at the Savoy Hotel. In reply to Mr. Leask, witness said he was aware that the police were shadowing him and mentioned an incident which happened on the Japanese ship which brought him here. A Chinese detective went on board and indicated witness' luggage to a European detective, who then proceeded to search amongst his belongings, explaining that Mr. King had given authority for the search.

Asked as regards his acquaintance with Haynes, Christie said: "I met Haynes in Shanghai in March, 1926. I used to go to his house and Haynes used to come to my flat. He always used the typewriter at my flat. He was always after money any time he came there."

The witness added that he gave him tens and twenty-fives.

Schooner Deal.

Speaking about his activities in Shanghai, Christie said that at that time he was only trying to buy a schooner, called the "Talbot" from a Chinese timber firm there named Yee Yap & Co., and Mr. George was associated with witness in that deal. Haynes wanted to get in on the deal.

Christie was proceeding to go further into his dealings with regard to the "Talbot" when he was interrupted by Mr. Gordon Leask who asked him whether he remembered the month of June, 1926.

Went to Siam.

Christie replied that he left Shanghai at that time to go to Siam in connection with mining. He saw Haynes two days before he left Shanghai. Haynes then came to the witness to get a cheque for \$450, or at least \$350, to open an account with the American-Oriental Bank. Haynes told him (Christie) that the P. & O. Bank had sent him a letter asking him to close his account with them.

Continuing, Christie said that he did not lend any money to Haynes on that occasion and Haynes became very annoyed. Haynes said that he would not forgive him (Christie), adding that he did not see why Christie would refuse him.

The witness told Haynes that he was leaving for Siam and could not do it for him. He (Christie) met Haynes again some time in September this year in Hong Kong. Haynes was with the late Mr. Frank Lammert, and the witness entered in the company of a lady and a gentleman. The latter called Christie's attention to the fact that Haynes was waving to him, and asked witness if he knew Haynes.

Meeting With Haynes.

When he (Christie) replied that he knew Haynes in Shanghai, his friend told him to go up and meet Haynes as he did not want his wife to meet him, and did not want to meet him himself. The witness went across to the centre of the lounge and met Haynes.

Continuing, Christie said that in the conversation which followed, Haynes told him that Kentwell was in town and enquired if he had met him. Witness indicated that he would be pleased to see Kentwell, and Haynes then undertook to arrange a meeting between them.

Mr. Leask: At this meeting, you said Haynes beckoned to you to come over; do you still say that?—Yes. He asked me for my address, and marked it down in his pocket book. Haynes came and saw me two or three days afterwards at No. 5 Victoria Gardens.

Any question about arms at that meeting?—He wanted to know what I was doing and I told him I was interested with the Chinese Government in arms.

In fact you produced a receipt for some money?—I produced a receipt for \$100,000 deposited in Swatow.

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Did you produce any document of any sort to Mr. Haynes on that occasion?—No.

Au Yeung's Part.

He said you showed him a telegram in code?—After Sergeant

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Did you conceal anything?—There was nothing to conceal.

It is given in evidence that on Haynes' first call upon you, you mentioned heroin?—I never mentioned heroin of any description.

Haynes also said that you told him that you would send a consignment of heroin to Shanghai by a man called George?—Never.

Christie added that shortly after his meeting with Haynes he wrote to him saying that he was going to Swatow, and did not see Haynes again until he came back from Canton.

Priests of Oil.

Before going on to speak about a further meeting with Haynes after his return to Hong Kong, Christie said that he wished to make it clear to his Worship that he did not go about with a note book marking down dates on which he met Haynes. He thought that it was on November 4 or 5 that he had another meeting with Haynes in which the conversation was about arms, about what was being done and what was happening in Canton. There was never any mention of drugs.

Mr. Gordon Leask: Any mention of prices?—Yes, prices of oil.

Christie explained that he had put some money with Blum in oil, and he was going to introduce Blum to Haynes. Oil was discussed between the witness and Haynes about November 7 or 8. He (Christie) simply said to Haynes that if there was anyone who could take up this oil, he would bring Blum over and introduce him.

Asked if any details were discussed about this oil, Christie replied that the only details discussed were as to price, which was \$3.50 per case.

Mr. Gordon Leask: Have you been sending cables up to Shanghai in connection with oil?—I went with Blum to send the cables for him.

Who is Khan Sahib?—He is an Army and Navy contractor in Kowloon.

Have you ever used his name as a telegraphic address?—Yes, his name is registered to be used as a telegraphic address by Blum and myself.

War in China.

Asked how he came to know Khan Sahib, Christie said that he was introduced to him by Blum and the manager of the Bombay Cafe at the cafe. Karim Chand, the manager of the cafe was a friend of Blum's, they having been acquainted in Hankow. After the introduction with Khan Sahib, the conversation was about the Great War and the war in China. There was no business discussed.

Answering another question as to when he saw Haynes again, Christie said: I kept seeing Haynes back and forward all the time, and I think it was November, 9 when I went over to St. George's Hotel with Blum.

What did you discuss?—We did not discuss anything very much. There was someone in the room when I went in. I know him now as Sergeant Baker, but I did not say anything about it.

How did you know Sergeant Baker?—I had seen him in the street with a Chinese detective, and I asked a gentleman at the time who he was and was told he was Sergeant Baker. I forgot the name.

Haynes used when he introduced Sergeant Baker to me. After Sergeant Baker had gone, I asked Haynes, who his friend was, and he replied, "Just another poor old bum from the Malay States. I am keeping him."

Did you produce any document of any sort to Mr. Haynes on that occasion?—No.

Au Yeung's Part.

He said you showed him a telegram in code?—After Sergeant

Baker had gone, I introduced Blum and produced a telegram reading: "Referring to your telegram of 25th, I offer firm \$80 cases, duty not paid, same quality, different brand."

Mr. Gordon Leask pointed out to Christie that Haynes had said that the telegram was accompanied by a small piece of paper reading, "Overstocked M.540 dollars, Hong Kong."

Christie replied simply that the telegram was in Bentley's Code. The Police had decoded the message in Bentley's and it did not read according to Haynes' version.

Questioned about the witness Au Young's part in the case, Christie said that he understood from Haynes that a Chinese gentleman from the Malay States, who was very keen on doing oil business, would be introduced to him and Haynes added that the man could not speak English but understood Malay. Witness alleged that Haynes said, "If you will look after the Blum end, I will look after the Chinese end of it."

This man who turned out to be a Chinese police reservist who was working with Haynes on the instructions of the police, and posed as a merchant, Christie said was first introduced to him on November 11, and a man named Karim Din acted as interpreter during the interview.

Drugs Not Mentioned.

When Haynes came with the Chinese, he said that the man did not speak English, and Haynes offered to interpret in Malay, but he (Christie) objected, remarking that he did not know enough of Malay himself to do any business in that language.

Karim Din was therefore brought in by him (Christie) as a Chinese interpreter. The whole of the conversation on November 11 was between Karim Din and the supposed merchant in Chinese.

Mr. Gordon Leask: Did you discuss drugs with him?—Never mentioned drugs.

Did you begin with "Do you want morph?"—I did not say "Do you want morph?" I know China and the Chinese; I have been here thirty years.

Proceeding, Christie said that the conversation with the prospective buyer was carried on by Karim Din for nearly an hour, and finally it was decided to reduce the price to \$3.50, as \$3.60 was considered too high. He (Christie) did not know why the deal did not go through. It was a question of Blum's expenses to Shanghai to get samples which the Chinese wanted. Christie said that he asked for \$1,000 and Blum would bring down 500 cases of the oil for the Chinese to see if it was of the quality it was claimed to be, but the Chinese considered Blum's expenses was too high. Blum then said that the best thing to do was to cut the deal out altogether.

Another Name.

Asked if he knew Haynes by any other name, Christie replied: "Just the same as I was 'The notorious Colonel, he was introduced to me in Shanghai as 'Leslie the Liar.'"

He had never known Haynes by the name of Remington or any similar name. He never wrote or telephoned Haynes under the name of Remington. When he wrote a letter to Haynes on November 13, he addressed the envelope "Leslie Haynes, Esq., St. George's Hotel."

On November 14, Christie continued, Haynes told him that he had made final arrangements for the Chinese to deposit \$300.

"Little Willie" he said in reply to Mr. Gordon Leask, was the Chinese oil buyer.

Answering another question, Christie said that all Haynes ever discussed when he went to see him

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Chusan (1,365) British, from Shanghai, Amoy, B. & S. 750 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 185 tons general (through).  
Dilmed (6,399) British, from Yokohama, Shanghai, B. & S. 7 passengers, 6 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 6,279 tons general (through).  
Emp. of Russia (8,789) British, from C. P. R. 55 passengers, 95½ tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Haiyang (1,369) British, from Penang, Singapore, Lee Fat & Co. 434 passengers, 100 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Wray Castle (3,833) British, from New York, Dodwell & Co. 1,010 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 5,098 tons general (through).

Memnon (3,019) British, from Newport, Singapore, B. & S. 140 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 900 tons general (through).

Chak Sang (1,470) British, from Canton, Jardine's 100 tons general cargo (through).

Kathe (906) German, from Hongkong, Kamfa, Kwong Mow Tai, 2,300 tons coal for Hong Kong.

Tak Hing (101) Chinese, from Macao, Hoo Hing, 55 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Tak Hing (105) Chinese, from Autau, Fook Hoi Co., 112 passengers, 6 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Yanone (684) British, from K. C. Wan, Wai Hing, 300 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Mao Lee (1,209) Chinese, from Dairen, Tsingtau, Ching Kee & Co., 450 tons general cargo (through).

Departures.  
For Autau—Tak Hing.  
For Macao—Tak Hing.  
For Keelung—Yubari Maru.  
For Singapore—Andes Maru.  
Sado Maru, Tokushima Maru.  
For Amoy—Sinkang.  
For K. C. Wan—Chung Hing.  
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For K. C. Wan—Wing Wo.  
For Whampoa—Gran.

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Arrivals Departures Port

British 7 3 29  
Japanese 0 4 5  
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It is essential that Colombo should have a tug capable of dealing in rough weather with the important shipping that uses the port, and it is highly desirable that such a tug should be a seagoing vessel capable of large towing and salvage work outside the harbour. The two existing tugs, owing to their age and condition, as well as owing to the increase in the size of steamers are not equal to the growing needs of the port, and it is not considered safe to send them any distance out to sea in rough weather for heavy salvage work.

The Chairman, Colombo Port Commission, adds that it is very desirable that the order for the tug should be placed at the earliest possible date. Of the two existing tugs the "Goliath" was recently reconditioned and is now in good order and can be used for the same duties as in the past. The reconditioning of the tug "Samson" will be taken in hand shortly, leaving only one tug to cope with the needs of the port.

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### WALKED OFF.

MORE JOB CONTROL IN FREMANTLE.

Fremantle, Nov. 5.  
Job control tactics were in evidence this morning on the Mellwraith, McEachern steamer "Katombu."

She was timed to sail for Adelaide at noon, but at 11 six of the firemen walked off the ship with their belongings. At sailing time eight firemen were missing.

The cause of the dispute is obscure, but it is believed the firemen made preposterous demands.

A conference between the agents, the captain, and union representatives lasted a long time, and the sailing time was postponed till 6 p.m.

The local agent, Mr. Edwards, said he was officially informed by the union that there was no dispute.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The s.s. "Calulu" (D. & Co.) sailed from Rabaul on November 30, and is expected here to-day.

The P. & O. s.s. "Jeypore" left Dairny for this port on December 9 at noon with the Mails, and is due here to-morrow at about noon.

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| EMPERESS OF RUSSIA | Mar. 7    | Mar. 10  | Mar. 13 | Mar. 16  | Mar. 25  |
| EMPERESS OF ASIA   | Mar. 28   | Mar. 31  | Apr. 3  | Apr. 6   | Apr. 15  |
| EMPERESS OF CANADA | Apr. 18   | Apr. 21  | Apr. 24 | Apr. 27  | May 6    |
| EMPERESS OF RUSSIA | May 9     | May 12   | May 15  | May 18   | May 27   |
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MANILA MARU ..... Saturday, 31st December.

HOMBAI—Via Singapore and Colombo.  
BORNEO MARU ..... Saturday, 24th December.

SHUNKO MARU ..... Tuesday, 3rd January.  
KASADO MARU ..... Friday, 6th January.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.  
MEXICO MARU ..... Thursday, 5th January.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.  
BINGO MARU ..... Friday, 23rd December.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.  
LONDON MARU (From Shanghai). Tuesday, 18th December.

ALABAMA MARU (From Shanghai). Wednesday, 21st December.  
HAIPHONG—Via HONGKONG & PAKHOI.

HEMADO MARU ..... Tuesday, 20th December, 10 a.m.  
TAKWA MARU ..... Tuesday, 3rd Jan., 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.  
JAPAN PORTS

ATLAS MARU ..... Tuesday, 18th December.  
SUMATRA MARU ..... Thursday, 15th December.

KOHSHUN MARU ..... Tuesday, 20th December.  
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.

HOZAN MARU ..... Sunday, 18th Dec., 11 a.m.  
TAKWA MARU ..... Wednesday, 21st Dec., 10 a.m.

TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.  
DELI MARU ..... Thursday, 15th Dec., 10 a.m.

TAKAO—Direct.  
KOHSHUN MARU ..... Tuesday, 20th December.

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| MOREA            | 10,955         | 7th Jan.                         | Marseilles & London                     |
| KALYAN           | 9,144          | 7th Jan.                         | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull      |
| DEVANHA          | 8,155          | 21st Jan.                        | Marseilles & London                     |
| MALWA            | 10,955         | 4th Feb.                         | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull      |
| KHYBER           | 9,114          | 18th Feb.                        | Marseilles & London                     |
| MACEDONIA        | 11,120         | 3rd Mar.                         | Marseilles, London & Antwerp            |
| *KHIVA           | 9,135          | 10th Mar.                        | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull      |
| KASHMIR          | 8,985          | 17th Mar.                        | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull      |
| KARMALA          | 9,128          | 24th Mar.                        | Marseilles & London                     |
| MANTUA           | 10,916         | 31st Mar.                        | Marseilles, London & Antwerp            |
| *KALYAN          | 9,114          | 7th Apr.                         | Marseilles & London                     |
| MONGOLIA         | 10,504         | 14th Apr.                        | Marseilles & London                     |

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|             |        |            |                                 |
|-------------|--------|------------|---------------------------------|
| *GARMULA    | 5,254  | 14th Dec.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka    |
| KALYAN      | 9,144  | 15th Dec.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| TAKIWA      | 7,936  | 21st Dec.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| DEVANHA     | 8,155  | 24th Dec.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| DELTA       | 8,007  | 1st Jan.   | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe           |
| ARAFURA     | 6,000  | 3rd Jan.   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| MALWA       | 10,955 | 7th Jan.   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| *NELORE     | 6,855  | 14th Jan.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| KHYBER      | 9,114  | 21st Jan.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| KHIVA       | 9,135  | 28th Jan.  | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe           |
| MACEDONIA   | 11,120 | 4th Feb.   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| TANDA       | 6,066  | 7th Feb.   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| *NAGPORE    | 5,283  | 17th Feb.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| KASHMIR     | 8,985  | 18th Feb.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
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| MONGOLIA    | 10,504 | 17th Mar.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| MOREA       | 10,955 | 30th Mar.  | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| KASHGAR     | 9,005  | 13th April | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| MALWA       | 10,955 | 27th April | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| DEVANHA     | 8,155  | 11th May   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| MACEDONIA   | 11,120 | 25th May   | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |

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## NEW SHIP DEVICES.

### DETAILS OF THE FATHOMETER.

One of the newest of ship devices, known as the fathometer, an invention of the Submarine Signal Corporation of Boston, Massachusetts, has been installed on three Japanese Government survey ships, under the supervision of Mr. Edward W. Smith, who represents the Corporation. The fathometer is used to sound the depth of the ocean and has greatly increased the efficiency of plotting the bottom of the sea accurately.

The principle fundamentally is very simple, that is, the fact that we are able to tell accurately just how fast sound travels in the air or in water. Reduced to its elementary terms, the function of the fathometer is to measure the speed of his sound and thereby tell how deep the ocean is at any given location. It is known that sound travels at a speed of 4,800 ft. per second under water. This is about four times as fast as it does in the air. To get the depth of the sea at any point, a sound is sent out from the instrument. Within a short time, the echo of the sound will come back. If two minutes elapse between the time the sound left the instrument and when its echo comes back, then the depth of the ocean there is the distance which sound waves will travel in one minute, or just half the total time elapsed.

When asked whether there are other things besides the bottom of the ocean which will cause the sound to return to the surface of the water, Mr. Smith's reply was that, theoretically, there are, but practically not. "It is true," he said, "that there are some things which have a greater density than water and which would thereby force an echo to return, but they are not found to any large extent in the sea. For all practical purposes, this does not have to be considered. Icebergs are the one thing which sometimes get between the fathometer and the bottom of the sea. As icebergs have about the same density of water, however, this never interferes with the calculation."

## MOTOR SHIPS.

### CONVERTING THREE CARGO STEAMERS.

United States Navy yards and one shipbuilding company have been awarded contracts totalling \$765,200 for converting the Ship Board's three steel cargo steamships, "Defiance," "Triumph," and "Courageous" to Diesel-electric motorships. The board awarded contracts for the conversion of these vessels to the Norfolk Navy Yard, the Boston Navy Yard, and the Federal Shipbuilding Co. respectively. Work will be commenced as soon as practicable, according to the board's statement.

The amounts of the contracts are as follows:—"Defiance," \$238,400; "Triumph," \$263,000; and "Courageous," \$263,800. These figures, according to the board, are about 60 per cent. of the estimated cost of constructing new vessels of this type in American shipyards, and are less than the cost of constructing similar high speed freight ships in foreign shipyards.

"Thus, by the conversion of these vessels," the board's statement said, "three new motorships, suitable for competition with the new motorships built for foreign flag operation, will be provided for the American merchant marine. By means of the conversion the speed of these vessels will be advanced from approximately 10 knots, of which they are capable in their present condition, to an estimated speed of between 13 and 14 knots."

The vessels will be equipped with McIntosh and Seymour Diesel engines, the cost of which is included in the contract prices. The prices given also include certain modifications of the ships' hull lines in order to aid in increasing the speed of the vessels. As converted, the ships will be of 10,500 deadweight tons each, standard commercial practice, and recognising space.

### U.S. BANK BANDITS.

Beardon (Ark.), Nov. 28. Posses are still hunting five bandits who held up the Bank here and obtained \$30,000 last night.

## PASSENGER LISTS.

### ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived by the C.P.S. "Empress of Russia" yesterday were:—

Mr. and Mrs. H. Burgess, Mr. P. E. Casion, Mr. Chan Lay-tong, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cutton, Mr. M. D. Dixon, Mr. L. J. C. Dudley, Mr. M. Garcia, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hockscher, Mr. E. Hodgkinson, Mr. Wm. Hodgkinson, Mr. Lao Kit-sang, Mr. Lim Kim-chi, Mr. Liong Soy, Mr. H. Nakai, Mr. Ng Yin-pun, Mr. P. Yu Singco, Mr. K. Tannda, Mr. and Mrs. W. Warren, Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Carpio, Mr. and Mrs. S. Ferenda and two infants, Mr. Yan Fong, Mr. B. Kewachand, and Mr. M. Shariff.

The s.s. "City of Lahore," which sailed from New York on October 22 left Singapore on December 8 via Manila to Hong Kong and is due here on December 17. Following are the passengers on board for Hong Kong and Shanghai via Hong Kong: Miss W. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Grey, Miss P. McGill, and Miss M. Taylor. Shanghai: Mrs. P. D. Ferguson, Miss M. E. Pearce, Mrs. D. Worcester and Masters D. and N. Worcester.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 3rd January, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th instant, at 10 a.m.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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## SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

| Date.    | Sunrise. | Sunset. |
|----------|----------|---------|
| December | a.m.     | p.m.    |
| " 13     | 6.54     | 5.40    |
| " 14     | 6.54     | 5.41    |
| " 15     | 6.55     | 5.41    |
| " 16     | 6.55     | 5.41    |
| " 17     | 6.56     | 5.42    |
| " 18     | 6.56     | 5.42    |
| " 19     | 6.57     | 5.43    |
| " 20     | 6.58     | 5.43    |
| " 21     | 6.58     | 5.44    |
| " 22     | 6.59     | 5.44    |
| " 23     | 6.59     | 5.44    |
| " 24     | 7.00     | 5.45    |
| " 25     | 7.00     | 5.46    |
| " 26     | 7.00     | 5.46    |
| " 27     | 7.01     | 5.47    |
| " 28     | 7.01     | 5.47    |
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| " 30     | 7.02     | 5.48    |
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Passengers will have to take sampans either to land or to board.

The inducement, of course, is the large number of refugees in an exodus which invariably follows a crisis.

## HORRORS SEEN.

Excesses Committed by Girl Fanatics.

Mr. Chan Kam-kwong, a well-known and respected Hong Kong merchant, related his experiences to a "China Mail" man to-day.

"I have seen many a change of government in Canton but none so awful as this. On previous occasions—like when the Ironsides threw General Wong Shu-hung out—there was always somebody to assume responsibility.

"Not so in this instance. There was no central authority and everybody was so busy looting and killing that there was not the slightest semblance of preserving order at all."

## Temptation of Red Sash.

Mr. Chan thought that the Reds realised that their reign will be short and, accordingly, went out to make the most they could of the opportunity.

He escaped by disguising himself as a workman, donning an old overcoat which a foki had lent him.

On his way to a Hong Kong steamer, he was questioned but not searched. Mr. Chan nodded every time he was asked anything and thus got through the red cordons.

With a smile he admitted that he was tempted to don a red sash for safety but felt that the consequent risk when he discarded it was too great and unless his discarded it he could not get on board a ship.

Men Commanded by Girl. Mr. Chan saw quite a number of girl fanatics, rushing about, shouting at the top of their voices and brandishing loot. One of them was armed and in charge of a search party of men and she herself joined with relish in holding up persons of the opposite sex.

From a shop behind the west band, a party of wild-eyed women were seen to be dressing in the street, changing into clothes which they had taken from the shop.

Shot Down Indiscriminately. There was no wheeled traffic. Pedestrians were robbed systematically even if one did appear to be a bona fide workman. Those who wore the long gown or looked like one of the bourgeois class were stripped unmercifully and the Red cordons, whenever it took their fancy, shot down whoever they liked even if no resistance was offered.

At one time it did seem as if some labour pickets might attempt to police the streets but the temptation was too much and they joined in the competition of looting.

No silver money could be seen anywhere. If a \$5 bank note was tendered, a purchaser had either to buy the full value or take a round sum so that change could be given also in paper.

## WANTON DAMAGE.

Government Wireless Station Smashed?

News received to-day is that the Canton Government wireless station has been smashed by the Reds who set out on a campaign of wanton destruction, before their incendiary fires had subsided, but after the best part of the loot had been taken.

Sap Sam Hong, the bankers' street in the western district, has been stripped clean.

Fires were still raging in Canton last night although the majority of conflagrations had burned themselves out. The greatest damage was around the Central Bank and Municipality, and near the electricity works. It has not been confirmed that the Japanese hospital has been damaged by shots.

## SEAMEN LEADER.

Notorious Character at Head of Communists.

So Shiu-ching, former chairman of the anti-Hong Kong strike and seamen's leader, is the head of the rebellion. He made himself scarce in Canton during the Kwangsi regime and went to Hankow but has been hankering for the southern capital.

It is not known if he is back or if his supporters are putting his name down first to make sure he gets in.

Officials, merchants and people of the middle class are fleeing to Hong Kong, Macao, up-country and even to Shanghai.

## CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

WILL RESUME POST AS CHIEF OF NATIONALISTS.

## KUOMINTANG SESSION.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Opinion here is that there is a likelihood that General Chiang Kai-shek will re-assume the post of commander-in-chief of the Nationalist armies.

The fourth plenary session of the Kuomintang executive is expected to be held in Nanking from January 1 to 15.—British Naval Wireless.

## Communists Executed.

Hankow, Yesterday.

A number of Communists have been executed by the Nationalist authorities at Wuchang, the city opposite Hankow. Otherwise there is no change in the situation.—British Naval Wireless.

## Northern Activities.

Peking, Yesterday.

Military movements on the Peking-Hankow Railway indicate that the Ankuochun (Northern troops), are endeavouring to cut off the Kuomintang's (Marshal Feng's troops) line of communications along the Lung-Hai Railway with their base in Honan.

Fengtien troops are being rushed from Shihchiachuang and Changchufu, thus relieving the Kuomintang's pressure and enabling Chihli-Shantung troops there to advance southward.—Reuter.

## SHANGHAI TRAM STRIKE.

Another Inspector Done To Death.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Another inspector of trams in the International Settlement here has been assassinated by strike agitators.

There is no change in the strike situation.—British Naval Wireless.

## AMERICA &amp; CHINA.

NO CONGRESS RESOLUTIONS EXPECTED.

Washington, Dec. 5.

Affairs in the Philippines and in China are likely to receive extensive committee attention, with perhaps some debate in the Senate and House of Representatives, during the session of the United States Congress which convened to-day.

At its last session, when Chinese warfare was acute, Congress exerted a strong influence upon executive branches of the Government to maintain the traditionally friendly relations between the American and Chinese peoples, and the great majority of Congress undoubtedly will observe with deep approval the fact that the United States Government has pursued a generally friendly and moderate policy during the recent critical period.

Under these circumstances it is not probable that the Congress will adopt resolutions prescribing the course of the State Department toward China, although the introduction of several resolutions, and their consideration in committee, is very probable.

During the summer many senators and representatives visited the Far East, either on the floors, or through statements in the Congressional record. Senator Hiram Bingham, Republican of Connecticut, has made public declarations in favour of establishing official contact with regional leaders in China, and any resolutions or bills presented by him, based on his extensive observations in China, doubtless will attract special interest.—United Press.

## THE GERMAN NAVY.

SUBSTANTIAL APPROPRIATIONS ANNOUNCED.

Berlin, Yesterday.

The Estimates for 1928, just published, show 167,500,000 marks for the Navy, including over 9,000,000 as the first instalment for a new battleship which is to cost 80,000,000 marks.—Reuter.

## FOREIGNERS LEAVE.

Outlying Districts Being Evacuated.

Canton, Yesterday.

Foreign residents who live in the outlying districts of Canton are evacuating to avoid trouble.

However, no anti-foreign feeling is manifest yet.

The Communists remain in control of the city. Fires have not been put out and shooting continues.—British Naval Wireless.

## STUDENT EXCESSES.

FURTHER TROUBLE IN TRANSYLVANIA.

## SYNAGOGUE ATTACKED.

London, Yesterday.

Fresh excesses by Rumanian students in Transylvania are reported from Vienna, Budapest and Belgrade.

The chief Rabbi of Nagyvarad has proclaimed a 40 days' fast, as the result of the desecration of the synagogues and the destruction of the Holy documents. Further disorders have occurred at Klastenburg, and Jewish shops were plundered.

At Jassy students entered the synagogue and drove the worshippers outside and stripped and beat them till the military dispersed the students with a fire hose.

At Nagazalonta peasants, armed with scythes and reinforced by the shopkeepers, routed the students.—Reuter.

## U. S. POLITICS.

CONVENTION CITY STILL UNNAMED.

Washington, Dec. 5.

Republican leaders arriving here to attend the party committee meeting on Tuesday to discuss where the Republican National Convention will be held are uncertain as to what city will be selected as the site of the great nominating convention.

San Francisco counts upon many pledges but it is the general feeling that this city is located so far from the centre of the country that its chances are poor. Kansas City is widely favoured, and so is Detroit, but Detroit does not meet with the approval of the "drys" who think the automobile city is too "wet." Cleveland has also been mentioned. President Coolidge will address the meeting on Tuesday evening.—United Press.

## Longworth Again Speaker.

Washington, Dec. 5.

The House of Representatives again elected the popular and fortune-favoured Mr. Nicholas Longworth as Speaker, with 225 votes cast in his favour. Mr. Daniel E. Garrett, of Texas, received 187 votes.

Five members voted simply "Present." Following election of the Speaker, the House adjourned out of respect to the memories of deceased members. The Senate likewise adjourned.—United Press.

## PLEA TO PRESIDENT.

U.S. AND INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE COURT.

New York, Yesterday.

A memorial has been presented to President Coolidge—the signatories including Republicans, Democrats and eleven governors and ex-governors, newspaper editors, bankers and businessmen—asking the President to indicate his willingness that the United States continue negotiations with a view to the facilitating of adherence of the United States to the Permanent Court of International Justice.—Reuter's American Service.

## THE PIRACY MENACE

NO DEFINITE STATEMENT IN PARLIAMENT.

London, Yesterday.

Replying to Sir John Power, Hon. Mr. Locker-Lampson said he was unable to make a definite statement at present in regard to the steps to suppress the Bias Bay pirates except that the question was being considered by a Committee of the Diplomatic Body in Peking consisting of the British, French, Italian, Japanese, and United States Ministers.—Reuter.

## HONG KONG FLIGHT.

CRUISING' RADIUS OF 5,500' MILES.

New York, Nov. 28.

An effort to win the G.\$50,000 prize offered for a flight from Dallas, Texas, to Hong Kong, China, will be made with a plane having a cruising radius of 5,500 miles.

## 'QUAKE IN AMERICA.

THIRTY SECONDS SHOCK AT SANTA MARIA.

Santa Maria, Cal., Dec. 6.

An earthquake of 30 seconds duration occurred here to-day. No damage has been reported.—United Press.

## STOPS GROUP.

It stops group. That's why mothers keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house. It contains no narcotics and is best for the children. For sale everywhere.

## CINEMA NOTES.

'WE'RE IN THE NAVY NOW' AT QUEEN'S.

## FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY.

"We're in the Navy Now," the special comedy which has been drawing crowded houses at the Queen's Theatre since Sunday, is being screened for the last times this evening. "We're in the Navy Now" is one of the season's funniest farces. Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton who jumped to fame as comedians in "Behind the Front," are even better as sailors. "We're in the Navy Now" has the further advantage that the story is more connected and there are a larger number of clever new "gags."

## SEA HORSES.

The principal picture at the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow is the romantic melodrama, "Sea Horses." The plot revolves around Florence Vidor as Helen Salvia who is on her way to join her husband in Panda, an isolated East African port. The captain of the ship, Jack Holt as George Claville falls in love with her. How he subsequently rescues her from a beachcomber husband who is killed during an exciting battle during a storm provides an exciting climax. The shipboard scenes of "Sea Horses" are presented with excellent realism, and the atmosphere of the East African port has been skillfully suggested.

## 'HOGAN'S ALLEY.'

There are several thrills, including a plane rescue from a train wreck, in "Hogan's Alley," the new picture at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow. The star of "Hogan's Alley" is Monte Blue as the idol of the alley, who sacrifices his famous left hand to save the girl he loves Patsy Ruth Miller is delightful, first as Patsy Ryan, the pig-tailed terror of the alley and later as a charming young woman. Willard Louis as Patsy's father, Louise Fazenda as a bright bit of Broadway and Max Davidson as a Jewish clothing merchant furnish the comedy. Ben Turpin comes in for a share of the laughs as a fight photographer.

## 'THE FOUR HORSEMEN.'

Cinema-goers are requested to note that owing to the length of the film, special starting times have been arranged for "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow. Performance begin promptly at 2.30, 5.00, 7.15 and 9.30, and the picture will be screened immediately after the overture.

## BEATS THE SOVIET.

HUNGER STRIKE BY RAILWAY EX-EMPLOYEE.

CLAIM FOR \$750,000.

Harbin, Nov. 14.

After one full month's hunger strike, which cost him exactly 30 lbs. of flesh, M. Elehn, one of the ex-employees of the Chinese Eastern Railway dismissed on account of their refusal to accept the Soviet regime, has finally won a score and is now enjoying the thrilling sensation of relishing the essentiality of life to a degree beyond the conception of an ordinary man, this putting an end to his self-inflicted torture which at times threatened to culminate in a serious crisis.

Since his fainting fit in the Church last week, the Directors of the Railway issued an order prohibiting his admission into the Directorate Building where he used to sit and keep up his mute demonstration. This order, however, did not have the desired effect, for, as an alternative, he threatened to remain standing by the entrance, making his demonstration the more conspicuous and sensational. Finally, he was granted a hearing by the President of the Directorate, and although no information was given out as to the nature of the interview, M. Elehn left the President's Office in quite high spirits and made a dash home to help himself to a feast of home-made delicacies. It is understood that the Directors will in the near future reconsider the matter and issue a declaration about the settlement of the claim by M. Elehn and his colleagues numbering about 200 of dismissed employees, in the shape of a total sum of approximately \$750,000 for the retirement allowances due to them. According to authentic information, as might be imagined, the Soviet members on the Directorate set their faces against heeding the above claim.—"M. Daily News."

## MORO MURDERERS.

BODIES OF VICTIMS TERRIBLY MUTILATED.

Manila, Nov. 29.

The constabulary and the local police in Illigan, Lanao, are trailing the Moro murderers of Mr. Hans G. Hansen and his wife, who were mysteriously killed recently near Bumarang, Iligan. The bodies of the victims were found covered with wounds inflicted by a kris and other Moro weapons.

## Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

To-day—At Theatre Royal

"Merrie England," 9 p.m.

To-day—Queen's Theatre:

"We're in the Navy Now."

To-day—Organ Recital by

Mr. F. Mason in St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.

To-day—World Theatre: "Sea

Horses."

To-day—Star Theatre: "Hogan's

Alley."

December 14-17—Queen's Theatre:

"The Four Horsemen of Apocalypse."

December 15—Helen May Institute Concert, 5.30 p.m.

December 15-17—World Theatre:

"Beware of Widows."

December 16-17—Star Theatre:

"It's The Old Army Game."

December 24—Dinner dance at

King Edward Hotel, 8.30 to midnight.

December 31—New Year's Eve

dance at King Edward Hotel, from

8.30 to midnight.

## Sport.

December 24—Christmas meeting

of the Fanling Hunt at Kwant.

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December 14—At Duddell Street,

Christmas toys, etc., 11 a.m.

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Club Ground, Mody Road, Kowloon,

4.30 p.m.

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## Meetings.

December 21—General meeting

of the Industrial &amp; Commercial

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December 22—Ninth yearly

meeting of the China Light &amp;

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George's Bldg., Chater Rd., noon.

December 22—Seventy's Mess

Meeting, Volunteer Headquarters,

6 p.m.

## Miscellaneous.

December 14—Investiture at Government

House, 4 p.m.

December 14-15—Annual exhibition

of the Hong Kong Art Club,

Pedder Bldg. (4th floor), from 10

a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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December 29—Presentation to

the Rev. Copley Moyle at reception

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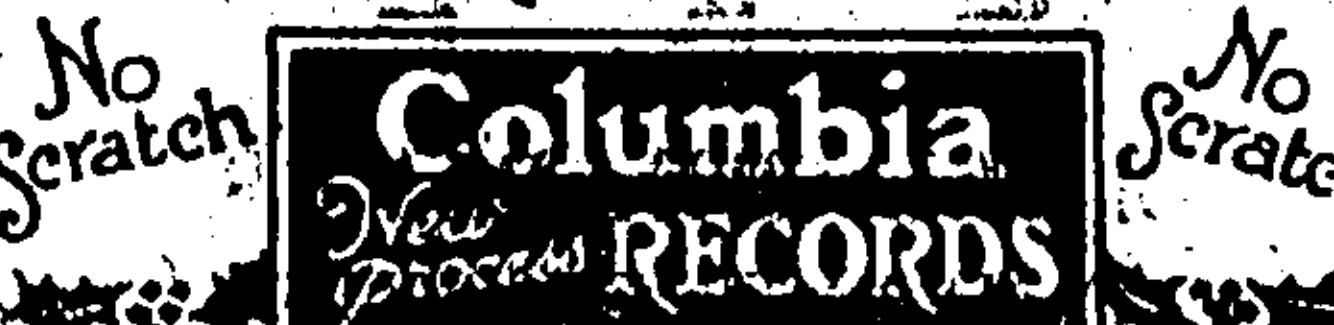
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# LOCAL AND GENERAL, SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Burgess have returned to the Colony on the "Empress of Russia" from Manila.

Mr. W. B. Y. Draper, who recently returned from leave, has been appointed Government Architect, Johore.

Messrs. Lammert Bros. are auctioning the goods and chattels of the Magasin General at 5, Beaconsfield Arcade in small lots on Monday next at 2.30 p.m.

News has been received by cable of the death in London, after a brief illness, of Mrs. B. W. B. Powell, wife of the Senior Engineer, Posts and Telegraphs, Penang.

We have received samples of Lammert Bros. Ltd.'s desk calendars for 1928, got up in the usual attractive style with red binding, together with complete calendar for the year on the reverse side.

The engagement is announced of Miss Sylvia Lau, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lau Hey-shing, of 60, Kennedy Road, Hong Kong, to Mr. James T. Choy, eldest son of Mr. Choy Hing, of 2, Park Road, Hong Kong.

Mr. J. Maxwell Hall, who has been acting Chief Justice, British North Borneo, since the early part of the year, has left Sandakan for Hong Kong en route for Home. The Hon. Mr. Justice Sherlock has resumed duty as Chief Justice of the State.

Feminine beauty is no aid, but instead is a hindrance, in getting a job according to the majority of opinion prevailing among Chicago employers. Pretty girls, they declared, prefer marriage to business careers, while their faces are often disturbing to men.

The Shanghai vernacular papers have it that a Russian agent has arrived in Shanghai who will pay handsomely for the assassination of Ataman Simionov, who, it is understood, would have returned to Japan some time ago, but for his children, who are ill.

Baron Shimpel Goto, former foreign minister, is planning to leave for Moscow. He said that the object of his visit is to create a closer friendship between Russia and Japan, especially as regards economic co-operation. He emphasised that he is going in a private capacity.

The Commissioner of Foreign Affairs has received a report from the Foochow authorities stating that it is dangerous for foreigners to travel in that province. Banditry there is rife and the situation is so uncertain that the authorities cannot promise foreigners proper protection.

A pocketful of coppers is generally considered a heavy load by the average foreigners, but news comes from the north that the Shantung Provincial Bank recently bought \$100,000 worth of coppers in Tientsin for the maintenance of the money market in Shantung province.

Captain T. P. Coe, Acting Secretary to Resident, Perak, is shortly going on long leave. Capt. Coe (says the "Times of Malaya") is a great M.S.V.R. enthusiast, and will be greatly missed during his absence. He has done much to rouse the recruiting spirit in Malaya.

The Mission Clinic in Penang is hoping to build a small but well-equipped Sanatorium-Hospital on a site in the Burmah Road, district and is appealing for funds, \$90,000 in all. Many Chinese have already given assurance of their support and tablets are to be placed over the entrances to the various units commemorating the names of the donors.

London.—Barnacles may provide an important clue to cancer, judging by the discoveries at the Liverpool University where research workers are investigating marine growths. Doctor Johnstone, Professor of Oceanography, accidentally noticed phenomena similar to those made by his colleague, Professor Blair, in studying cancer. Both will be studied on similar lines.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon of Boy Scout Yip Mow-wah, of the South China Athletic Association troop of Boy Scouts. His death occurred at the Government Civil Hospital on Sunday. The deceased was eighteen years old and was a member of the Boy Scout football team in the Hong Kong League. A number of Scout officials and his comrades attended the funeral at Causeway Bay Cemetery.

Bangkok, December 1.—Yesterday afternoon the first meeting of the newly-constituted Privy Council took place. Prince Bidsalongkorn, on a vote, was elected President. The King was represented by his principal private secretary. In a message the King said his desire was to develop the duties of the Council and to broaden the constitution according to the needs of the country. The members had not been elected as representatives of any particular group but in the interests of the country as a whole.

Two Chinese cases of cerebro-spinal fever were reported in the Colony yesterday.

Mr. Hsu Yuan-kao, Judge of the Nationalist Supreme Court at Nanking, expected to assume office on December 10.

The Chinese press states that the Peking-Hankow Railway Administration has succeeded in borrowing \$200,000 for the payment of the staff.

A meeting of the creditors of the Prince's Building and Land Co., Ltd. will be held at the offices of Messrs. Percy Smith, Sath and Fleming, on Saturday, January 7, 1928, at 12 noon.

Mr. P. M. Cocke, Superintendent of Customs, is shortly being transferred to Kuala Lumpur from Tai-ping. Mr. Cocke has been the organist at All Saints' Church, Tai-ping, for some time.

The work of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee is to be wound up at a meeting to-morrow at Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co.'s Board room when the Chairman will present the report of work accomplished during the past seven months.



Victor L. Berger, veteran Socialist representative from Milwaukee, Wis., who was elected as successor of Eugene V. Debs, as head of the Socialist party of the United States, has just been announced, says he sees nothing to prevent the nomination of Governor Smith of New York by the Democrats in 1928 and predicts his election. The prohibition law is one of the most vital questions of the coming election, he declares.

Washington, December 1.—The White House winter social season opened to-night with the traditional dinner by the president to the members of the cabinet and their wives. Vice-President and Mrs. Dawes and a number of personal friends also were guests.

The death took place at Malacca of Mr. Benjamin Alfred Nunis. Mr. Nunis had been in the employ of the Chartered Bank, Kuala Lumpur, for about sixteen years, when failing health compelled him to retire. As a reward for his faithful service the Bank granted him a pension for three years.

Mussolini received so many gifts from enthusiastic admirers that he has been obliged to issue a communique announcing none will be accepted in the future. He begs all desiring to show devotion will donate the money to charities or works of public utility. He offers to indicate which institutions are most worthy.

The marriage was solemnised at Beechen Grove Church, Watford, by the Rev. G. H. Russell Laslett, between William Titus, only son of Mrs. Hallam, of Gorseston, and Phyllis Margaret, eldest daughter of Mrs. Gray, of Watford, and the late Mr. A. W. Gray. The bridegroom is on furlough from Singapore, and Mr. H. Morris, of the African and Eastern Trading Co., Singapore, who is also home on leave was best man. The three bridesmaids were Miss Hazel Gray (sister of the bride), Miss Laura Westgate and Miss Van McEwen. The reception was held at the home of the bride, and later the bride and bridegroom left by car for Cornwall and Devon.

Tributes to the work of the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, with particular reference to Service men and the social arrangements at St. John's Cathedral Hall were paid at the Sunday night social when his regular attendance and interest in the social and the general welfare of the Service men was mentioned. The Rev. Copley Moyle was also the guest last night of St. Peter's Young Men's Club on the occasion of his impending departure. Tribute to the work of Mr. Moyle in the Colony and his interest in the Young Men's Club, of which he was a Vice-President, was paid and a presentation from past pupils of Diocesan College, many of whom were present, was made. A further presentation is to be made to the Rev. Copley Moyle at a reception to be held at the Cathedral Hall on December 23.

Rugby, Dec. 12.—The Crown Prince of Denmark arrived in London last night, on a private visit.

Lady Clementi has consented to distribute the prizes at the Peak School prize giving on Tuesday, December 20, at 5.15 p.m.

London, November 14.—According to official statistics, 2,859 divorces were granted in England and Wales in 1926, compared with 2,667 in 1925.

The famous Veitch collection of Chinese porcelains and jades, exhibited during the past twenty-five years in the Birmingham Museum, will be sold at the Anderson Galleries on December 15.

The English Egyptologist Pirth announces that his excavations at Sakkara of the former city of Memphis revealed Royal tombs probably including that of King Zoser of the 3rd Dynasty.

For the second time, after two references back from the Commissioners, the Singapore Municipal Committee has decided to grant the Home Pipe Co. a ten years' lease of the Bukit Timah site for the manufacture of steel pipes.

Washington, December 1.—Representative McLeod, Republican from Michigan, to-day filed with the clerk of the House a bill which will be presented to Congress as soon as that body opens, calling for a definite prohibition referendum.

Other tasteful calendars received by the "China Mail" since the week-end include a sample of that issued jointly by the Canton Insurance Office and the Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., of 13, Pedder Street; the Messageries Maritimes, and the Queen's Dispensary.

The "Eastern Times" reports that, as a result of the Canton coup d'etat, Moscow has instructed 14 Russian advisers, under the leadership of "Kufuchi", to proceed to Canton via Japan, Chinese students also have been ordered to return at once and begin active service in the cause of the Soviet.

The Shanghai Chinese papers carried the story that Wang Ching-wei had sent a representative to the offices of the C.P.O.S. to purchase his transportation in the "Empress of Russia." When interviewed by representatives of the press, Wang Ching-wei denied that he contemplated leaving Shanghai.

London, Dec. 12.—A number of prominent people lunched to-day at the Danish Legation with the Danish Crown Prince, who is paying a private visit to London. They included the Premier and Mrs. Baldwin, Sir Samuel Hoare, Air Minister, and Lady Hoare, and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Labour leader. The Prince of Wales is dining with the Danish Crown Prince this evening.

Dr. E. J. Strick, of Amoy, Chairman of the Kulungau Municipal Council (Foreign Settlement) is a visitor in Shanghai. Dr. Strick is visiting his daughter, Miss Jean Strick, who is a pupil at the American School. Dr. Strick is also connected with the United States Public Health Department and is owner of a private hospital in Amoy.

London, November 14.—"It is difficult to understand why a guilty person in a divorce action is not held to be as great an offender against society as a card-sharper," declared Bishop Welland preaching at Durham Cathedral recently when he appealed for a higher standard of citizenship. "Sometimes," he said, "I wish society would more forcibly express their indignation against bad citizens."

Mr. Paul W. Wright, special correspondent of the Chicago Daily News, who has been in the Far East for several months, has left Shanghai on the "Empress of Russia" for Hong Kong, and will probably extend his tour to India. Mr. Wright, who is accompanied by Mrs. Wright, arrived in Shanghai after an extensive tour of Japan, Manchuria and North China, covering the situation for his paper.

The marriage in the reformed Chinese style took place at the Sunyoke School, Rawang, of Miss Wong Ngan-yoke, younger sister of Messrs. Wong Kim-yoon and Wong Koon-yoon, of Kuala Lumpur, with Mr. Lim Sai-long, eldest son of Towkay Lim Kak, of Rawang. There was a large gathering of both European and Asiatic friends to witness the ceremony, and a speech in Malay was afterwards made by Mr. C. C. Brown, District Officer of Ulu Selangor.

London, November 13.—An animal dealer asserts that popular Christmas gifts will include tame lemurs, dwarf anteaters, baby chimpanzees, marmosets, monkeys, hedgehogs and squirrels. He says he could sell a hundred chimpanzees, which are lovable pets, at £50 each. At present he is demanding £85. A lady toy-maker is popularising wooden figures from "Alice in Wonderland" and fairy tales. Shops are filled with giant glass-eyed German toys. The latest mechanicals include greyhound racing games.

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## SPORTS

## SATURDAY'S SOCCER.

## The Cleverness of the Athletic.

## R.A.F.'S SMASHING VICTORY.

## Number Of Interesting "Junior" Games.

[By "Rover."]

Twenty games were scored in five matches on Saturday in Division I, and a similar number in Division II, "A" in four matches, and a great day's football was witnessed by huge crowds at the Valley and at Kowloon.

The fine win of the Chinese Athletic came as a great surprise, in view of the fact that the Club officials had made very great efforts to put a good side in the field, and even the absence of Taylor, although a great disappointment, hardly explains the Club failure. The Athletic, however, from the start of the game, played forcing football and in the matter of understanding and team combination were very much superior to the Club. The Club were always putting more work into movements which their opponents carried out with ease and the Athletic at present is a big proposition for anything locally.

On Saturday the first goal came from Leung Yuk-tong, who is one of the veterans of the team, but who has no superior at right half in the Colony. His clubmate's brilliance on the left wing, last year's captain, Lam, who has kept Leung Yuk-tong from getting deserved recognition. As the Club forwards found on Saturday, the Athletic half back line dominated the game, and it will be a good forward line that can subdue the Athletic's middle line. Suen Kam-shun the Athletic sharpshooter had a great personal triumph and is one of the best forwards in China, and many brilliant things by Tao Kwei-shing delighted the crowd, but many are not football, and this very clever player requires to moderate his rushing tactics somewhat and use a little more steadiness in his final transfer.

On the Club side Stewart and Bishop played right up to form and McBride, Howard and Simpson worked to the finish, the score on the day's play being flatter than the Athletic, the latter's brilliant team work giving them just that superiority which spells goals.

Next in order of importance and certainly the surprise of the day was the remarkable win by six clear goals by the gallant Air Force against Recreio at King's Park, where the locals are practically unbeatable. Right from the kick off the Air Force took charge and although Gosano, who started centre forward and changed with Silva at centre half, did some extremely smart things, Vernon was the star performer, and the number in which the centre forward took the ball on the run and banged for goal at the slightest chance was a football treat for the large crowd. Though not the individualist that Gosano is, Vernon is a fine player, and on Saturday's form would be an acquisition to any team.

The R.A.F. were just right forward and do not want to go further than this line. Constable and Gallacher were little if anything inferior to Birch and Robbins, and Welsh and Wilkes were fine in the middle line. The backs were at times a trifle shaky but Recreio forwards, although playing a losing game, were a trouble to both backs, and Avery on many occasions saved finely and showed fine anticipation. Recreio were at full strength. C. Remedios at back, and Silva centre half, does not look like the usual Recreio defence, and when Silva and Gosano changed it did not help matters. Recreio cannot afford to make changes, and will welcome the old formation. Ward, the newcomer, is smart but had an unfortunate trial, and will probably be tried under more favourable conditions.

Recreio, despite their heavy defeat played all the time, and early in the game had one or two very hot things stopped by Avery. However, they caught the Air Force in great form and if the latter can maintain this form they will do great things yet.

The features of the Kowloon v. Scots Guards game was the fine form shown by the locals against their heavier opponents, and Angus scored a personal triumph with a fine display of goalkeeping. That the Guards gave the Kowloon goalies such chances to display his prowess, is sufficient to indicate that the Guards did a lot of pressing and played quite up to form, which they did, and the game was most exciting and of a pleasant nature. Tiernay made a welcome reappearance and he and Miles were very active, whilst the presence of Frank Wheeler was an encouragement, although the full back will play many better games. Hedley must be benefiting by his association with Sims, as both he and Baldwin, particularly the former, played well. Chapman for the Guards improved and McNiven and Smith gave Angus many warm ones. The defence was very reliable, the backs at times kicking very lustily.

The Borderers' forward movements were far too fast for the Police on Saturday, and the latter

## ENGLISH CUP DRAW.

## NEXT MONTH'S THIRD ROUND GAMES.

## WOLVES PLAYING CHELSEA.

London, Yesterday. Following is the draw for the Third Round of the English Cup, to be played on January 14:—

Middlesbrough v. South Shields.  
 Rotherham v. Exeter.  
 London Caledonians v. Crewe.  
 Hull v. Leicester.  
 Liverpool v. Darlington.  
 Huddersfield v. Lincoln.  
 Southampton v. Fulham.  
 Notts Forest v. Tranmere.  
 Blackpool v. Oldham.  
 Manchester United v. Brentford.  
 Stoke v. Gillingham.  
 Cardiff v. Southampton.  
 Arsenal v. West Bromwich.  
 Charlton v. Kettering v. Bury.  
 Wrexham v. Swansea.  
 Wednesday v. Bournemouth.  
 Bristol City v. Tottenham.  
 Preston v. Everton.  
 Port Vale v. Barnsley.  
 Millwall v. Derby.  
 Notts County v. Sheffield.  
 Bolton v. Luton.  
 Birmingham v. Peterborough.  
 New Brighton v. Corinthians.  
 Sunderland v. Northampton.  
 Manchester City v. Leeds.  
 Blackburn v. Newcastle.  
 Swindon or Crystal Palace v. Orient.  
 Portsmouth v. West Ham.  
 Reading v. Grimsby.  
 Burnley v. Villa.  
 Wolverhampton v. Chelsea.

—Reuter.

appeared slow by comparison, but the Borderers have lately struck their best form and are now playing a fine game. The Police greatly miss Hudson and it is hoped he will soon be again available. There was a lack of finish about the Police work on Saturday in striking contrast to the well concerted movements and final shots of their opponents.

The R.G.A. caught a Tartar on Saturday, and South China turned out one of their best sides for the season. The game was fought out at a fast pace, the large ground appearing to suit the fleet Chinese forwards who have put up several very good performances at Soom-poo this season. Many good chances of scoring were missed, the play on both sides being fast, but finishing marred what might have been a good game. On the run of the game the Chinese just about deserved the points.

Amongst the Juniors two results stand out prominently, the K.O.S.B. Reserves win of nine goals to one speaking for itself, the Regimental side toying with their opponents and scoring when they pleased. The Borderers forward line is a very effective force, and unless the other Junior Division teams strengthen their sides the Borderers Reserves will again secure all the honours this year. Crowley, Hark, Skeggs, Stevens, McGee and Harris are capable reserves and in this respect the Regiment is well favoured. A very bright display of football was given by the clever St. Joseph's side at King's Park where the Recreio Reserves were soundly beaten. St. Joseph's with a blending of local and service players are a clever side, and Omar at outside right an old Division I player gave a very smart display of correct wing play. Recreio Reserves altered their usual formation, and excepting that Fernandez and Silva Netto in the defence showed excellent form the remainder of the team were not convincing.

Kowloon had a minor experience in the control of a large crowd on Saturday, as Kung Woo, although in Division III have a large following and there occupied the popular side of the ground and at one time occupied a portion of the playing pitch. This however was quickly cleared and Kung Woo gave a very good show being much too quick for the local third string. A huge crowd invaded the playing pitch of South China, at the Valley, when they met their local rivals, the Athletic, and the experiences of the players and referee prior to the match were not pleasant. It would be well if the Clubs holding these Valley grounds could be allowed to rope the fields temporarily when a couple of officials or Police would no doubt be sufficient to keep the touch lines clear.

## UNIVERSITY v. LING NAN UNIVERSITY.

The following will represent the University v. Ling Nan University on Thursday, December 15, at 3 p.m. on the Hong Kong University ground:—

G. C. Edwards; G. S. Scully, E. L. Harrison; Y. K. Ng, S. P. Lo, H. T. Bee; T. K. Tan, T. W. Chong, B. V. Jay, A. P. Gutierrez, P. C. Lim.

Reserves:—L. Oppenheim, H. Braga; E. K. Lim.

## M.C.C. CRICKET.

## TOURISTS DRAW WITH THE TRANSVAAL.

## HOLMES' BIG SCORE.

Pretoria, Yesterday. The M.C.C. team, playing here, drew with the Transvaal. The visitors scored 205, Vincent taking



Holmes.

six wickets for 59, and 328 for three, Holmes making 184 not out. Transvaal replied with 382 for seven wickets and declared.—Reuter.

## LOCAL GOLF.

## DRAW FOR KOWLOON FOURSOMES.

The first round of the Hong Kong Foursomes of the Kowloon Golf Club will be played on Sunday next, December 18. The following is the result of the draw:—

## First Round.

Johnstone and Dewhurst (A. S. Watson and Co.) v. McKnight and Cowherd (Mustard and Co.).

## Byes.

S. J. Jordan and H. Overy (Wm. Powell, Ltd.).

Murphy and da Rosa (Lowe, Bingham and Matthews).

McBride and Lawrence (Public Works Dept.).

Machen and Higgins (Naval Yard).

Mitchell and Partner (China Light and Power Co.).

Carroll and Carroll (Carroll Bros.).

Howard and Slipper (Kowloon Godown Co.).

Roberts and Hillier (Lane, Crawford, Ltd.).

Page and Thomson (Dairy Farm).

Trevor and Partner (Kowloon Canton Railway).

Dixon and McQueen (Naval Yard).

Remedios and Jex (Union Trading Co.).

Borrowman and Dand (W. S. Bailey and Co.).

McLagan and Gray (Kowloon Dock).

## First Round.

Labrum and Labrum (Ye Olde Printers) v. Paterson and Austin (A. S. Watson and Co.).

## CLUB'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club will be held in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, on Wednesday, December 21, at 5.30 p.m. The report of the Committee, the balance sheet and statement of accounts for the year ended September 30, 1927, will be submitted for adoption, and a resolution is also to be submitted authorising the Committee to charge a subscription, not exceeding \$2 a month, to ladies using the Golf Course and Club Houses.

Officers and members of the Committee for the ensuing year will also be elected. Nominations for members of the General Committee should reach the Secretary, Lt.-Col. E. D. Matthews, not later than 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 17.

## LOCAL YACHTING.

## COLLEEN WINS LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

Colleen was returned first in the third Ladies' Championship race sailed over the following course yesterday:—1. Channel Rocks (P.), 2. Kowloon Rock (P.), 3. Channel Rocks (S.), 4. Cusi Rocks Buoy (P.).

Yacht. Finish. Corrected Time. Pos. tion.

Diana ..... 4:12.04 4:11.03 2

Colleen ..... 4:15.11 4:10.06 1

Rolla ..... D.N.F.

Falcon ..... D.N.F.

La Linda ..... 4:23.20 4:18.45 3

Argilla ..... D.N.S.

Dorothy ..... D.N.S.

"I," "Y," and "G."

Daphne ..... D.N.S.

Allsa ..... 4:32.57 4:32.57 8

Haleyon ..... 4:27.41 4:27.41 3

Geel ..... D.N.S.

Pierrette ..... 4:30.53 4:28.25 5

Thecla ..... 4:31.15 4:28.37 2

Viking ..... D.N.S.

Joan ..... D.N.S.

Why Wonder ..... 4:30.29 4:28.27 6

Wings ..... 4:29.56 4:27.54 4

Bluesome ..... D.N.S.

Boofum ..... 4:26.12 4:24.10 1

Adele ..... 4:33.56 4:31.54 7

Adanac ..... 4:37.22 4:35.20 9

Zephyr ..... D.N.S.

Lola ..... D.N.S.

Owl ..... D.N.S.

## PLAYER-WRITERS.

## TENNIS SCRIBES TO LOSE STATUS.

London, Yesterday. At the Lawn Tennis Association annual meeting in London a resolution was passed prohibiting player-writers, who henceforward will lose their amateur status.—Reuter.

## CLAIM FOR WAGES.

## LAUNCH WHICH SANK IN TYPHOON.

## SUMMARY COURT CASE.

A claim by a master of a steam launch for balance of wages due was heard in the Summary Court this morning when Ho Yuet-hing, of 200 Temple Street, Yaumati, sued Lau Fook-tsoi, of 197 Reclamation Street, Mongkok, and Au Lun-sang, also of Mongkok, for \$229.50 wages as master of the s.s. "Man Sang" from April 2, 1926, to September 25, 1926, at a rate of \$80 per lunar month.

Mr. W. D. Owen was for plaintiff and Mr. D. McCallum for defendant.

Mr. Owen said that the defendant was the owner of the launch. Plaintiff was engaged by the charterers on April 2 of last year and worked for some months as master until the launch ceased to run. The launch was laid up for some time and in some way a debt was contracted between the contractors and the owners and it was agreed between them by a document that the owners should become responsible for the wages of the master and crew. The document was acknowledged at a meeting at which the various parties were present. Shortly afterwards, in the typhoon of August 20 the launch was sunk. Mr. Owen admitted that the document in question was not a proper contract or agreement as it was not signed but, according to the evidence, it was agreed to between the parties.

In the course of cross-examination of witnesses, it was admitted that there was no direct agreement as between plaintiff and defendants regarding wages.

Asked why he did not sue the charterers, plaintiff said that they had no money and he understood that the defendants owed the charterers money.

His Honour (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood) said that it appeared to him that the plaintiff had sued the wrong party.

After further evidence had been given, His Honour gave judgment for defendants with costs.

## FIRST AID WORK.

## RAILWAY DIVISION'S HIGH STANDARD.

## HO FOOK CUP COMPETITION.

The final competition between teams from the Railway Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade for the Ho Fook Cup (presented for efficiency) was held on the grounds of the Kowloon Football Club yesterday.

Although the members of the Division are prevented by their duties from attending the various Field Days and other tests arranged by the Brigade, the results obtained by all squads competing for the Cup strikingly illustrates the keenness which animates the members and the high standard of efficiency in First Aid work attained by the Division as a whole.

A departure was made this year in the method of competing for the Cup in that the whole Division competed in eight squads, each representing a different section of the Division. The results of the Division as a whole. The result of giving each member an incentive to be included in the winning team justified the departure in method of competition as the following marks gained will show.

For example, the teams which were eliminated in the "heats" for arriving at the finalists, gained the following percentages of efficiency marks:—82 per cent, 76 per cent, 72 per cent, 60 per cent, 53 per cent, and only one as low as 42 per cent, which team was composed of new members.

There was no arrangement for selection, the names being drawn for and it will thus be seen that practically the whole of the Division is efficient. The tests for the final competition were also drawn for with the intention of confining them as far as possible to accidents of an ordinary nature rather than a desire to introduce trick questions.

Among those present at the final competition yesterday were Messrs. R. Baker, D. A. Walker, J. Morris, W. F. Cuff, E. Ralphs, A. Morris, Dr. E. R. Dovey and the Examining Officers, Drs. Major Lynch and Major Campbell.

The two teams in the final were (Winners), composed of the following:—U. Poyin, Lam Heung-wing, Li Chung-ang, Li Young-fan (runners-up), Chau Yuk, Lam Hon-cheong, Li Ping-tan and Lo Lo-yu. The winners were awarded 75 per cent. marks for efficiency by the judges and the runners-up, 60 per cent.

## SEXTON SUES BISHOP.

A curious quarrel is agitating the cathedral town of Monspeiller. The Bishop recently dismissed a sexton of the cathedral because his own chauffeur and the daughter of the sexton wished to get married. The sexton has refused to go, and has brought an action for wrongful dismissal and damages against the Bishop. The Bishop has asked the Courts to issue an expulsion order against the sexton, and has now obtained the order, but it cannot be put in force until January, and by that time the action for damages will have been heard.

## COUNCIL AGENDA.

## FIRST READING OF FOUR NEW BILLS.

## THURSDAY'S MEETING.

Business before the Legislative Council on Thursday includes the first readings by the Attorney General of the following Bills:—

An Ordinance to regulate the printing of newspapers and the keeping and use of printing presses.

An Ordinance to amend the Prisons Ordinance, 1897.

An Ordinance to amend further the Volunteer Ordinance, 1920.

An Ordinance to amend the Railways Ordinance, 1909.

The Attorney-General to move the second reading of—

An Ordinance to amend the Magistrates' Ordinance, 1890.

An Ordinance to provide for the formation, establishment and regulation of the Hong Kong Police Reserve.

An Alteration. In the Magistrates' Ordinance Amendment Bill a new clause is inserted, of which the following is an explanation:—

Section 32 of the Magistrates' Ordinance, 1890, provides that if a defendant is fined a sum not exceeding \$5, and if he has on him money equal to the amount of the fine, any money found on him may be appropriated to the payment of his fine. It is now proposed to amend the section by reading \$25 for \$5. This amendment is put forward in view of a contemplated increase of the maximum fine for mendacity from \$5 to \$25. Beggars sometimes have comparatively large sums in their possession. The provision may be useful in other cases also.

## IN THE NEWS.

## ITEMS FROM TO-DAY'S POLICE REPORTS.

The Rev. J. Geuahr of the Rhinisch Mission, Bonham Road, has reported to the police the theft from his room of a Corona typewriter and money to the total value of \$168.

A Chinese who is believed to be insane was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to his head, received through jumping from the second floor verandah of No. 23, Taishek Street, Shauiwan. His condition is serious.

Mr. E. M. Manners of No. 4, Armand Building, Kimberley Road, Kowloon, has reported to the police that some time between 3 and 5 p.m. yesterday, a thief entered his bedroom during his absence and stole a quantity of jewellery valued at \$770. A servant has absconded since the discovery of the loss.

A quantity of brass tags worth \$311 was yesterday stolen from Messrs. C. E. Warren and Company's godown at No. 216 Wanchai Road.

According to a report made to the police by the master of the Tai Yau garage at No. 2, Whitfield Road, a fokl has absconded with a pair of bangles worth \$90, the property of the complainant's wife. The fokl was alleged to have gone to the woman and representing that he had his master's permission to borrow the bangles for a wedding, obtained the jewellery from her. He has not been seen since.

An Indian destitute was produced by Inspector Elston in Major C. Willson's Court at the Central Magistracy this morning. The Inspector said that the man (Jetho Singh) joined the Hong Kong Police Force in June this year, and was dismissed in November for incompetence. He gave himself up to the police yesterday as a destitute. The man was committed to the House of Detention.

## HUGE WHALES.

## CARCASSES OF RARE SPECIES.

London, Nov. 17. It is ascertained that the Dornoch Firth whales recently cast ashore belong to the rare "Pseudorca" species which zoologists had vainly searched for years.

There were remarkable scenes at the Firth when the huge carcasses were cut up to enable the despatch of the skeleton to the British Museum. Experts state that specimens will be available to every museum and university in Britain.

The first trace of the "Pseudorca" species was found in the fossilised remains of the Lincolnshire fens in 1840 and in Tasmania in 1860, after which nothing was known.

The employment accompanying the removal of the carcasses will cause the merriest Christmas at Dornoch for years, giving the lie to the gloomy prophecies of pestilence due to the "stranded mammals."—"Ceylon Observer."

## COLONY'S MONEY.

## \$10,500 BEFORE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

## SUPPLEMENTARY VOTES.

Supplementary votes totalling \$10,491 are before the Finance Committee at Thursday's meeting following the Legislative Council meeting.

The heaviest sum is that provided for the purchase of a motor boat for the Imports and Exports Department (\$5,250). A favourable opportunity has occurred, it is stated, of purchasing at once a very suitable boat by private treaty at the cost of \$4,750. An additional sum estimated at \$500 is required for making certain alterations.

The Flying Squad. The sum of \$1,200 is required for petrol, oil etc. for Police motor cars and cycles. The average monthly expenditure is \$420 and it is estimated that a further \$1,200 will be required. The excess is due to the increase in the numbers of the Police Flying Squad which now amount to thirty-five.

\$344 is required for H.E. the Governor: Personal Emoluments, Aide-de-Camp, Captain Steele, late A.D.C., previous to relinquishing his appointment, was granted leave of absence on full pay from July 23 to September 30, 1927. No funds were available for the payment of acting (half) pay to Capt. Whyte who has now permanently taken over the duties.

Nurses From Home. \$800 is required for the Medical Department, due to the heavy expenditure involved in the many changes in Nursing staff. The selection of candidates from England results in payment of expenses for medical examination fees for selection etc.

\$700 is required for light and electric fans for the Fire Brigade building, the excess on the vote being due to the cost of current consumed on three additional floors in the building having to be met from the Fire Brigade vote during the first seven months of the year.

Other votes are as follows: Electric Fans and Light for Public rooms at Government House, \$100; Public Works Recurrent, Maintenance of Sewers and Nullahs, \$2,000; Public Works Extraordinary, Reconstruction of Wongneicheung Nullahs, section 2, through Happy Valley from Wongneicheung to Race stands, \$367; Sanitary Department, Transport charges for gangs employed in special anti-malaria measures in outlying areas, \$180 and for extra expenditure involved in transfer of the Department of Registry of Marriage to the Land Registry, \$50.

## MEDICOS MEET.

## H.E. THE GOVERNOR AT THE UNIVERSITY.

## MEDICAL SOCIETY WORK.

At the annual dinner of the Hong Kong University Medical Society, which was held on Thursday at the Hong Kong Hotel, Garden, H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, proposed the toast of the Society and, as Chancellor of the University, referred to the interest he took in the activities of the Medical and other sections. H.E. referred to the Society's first President, Dr. Francis Clarke, whom he met in Weihaiwei and found as active as ever. Dr. Clarke would have enjoyed being present at the Dinner, said His Excellency.

H.E. also referred to the absence of Dr. Addison, P.C.M.O., through illness and expressed the hope that he would rapidly recover health and strength on his return to England. He also hoped that the related work of the Medical Society and Henry Lester Research Institute in Shanghai would result in great developments in medical science in the Far East.

Replying to the toast, Professor Tottenham outlined the activities of the Medical Society, with special reference to its journal, the "Caduceus." He stated that the Medical Society played two important parts. Internally, it stimulated research, while externally, it made the work of the members of the Society known outside Hong Kong, and kept the members in touch with the graduates residing in other parts of the world.

Dancing commenced immediately after the toasts were drunk. Among those present were Lady Clementi, Capt. Whyte, Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., Vice-Chancellor, Prof. and Mrs. Tottenham, Prof. Anderson, Prof. and Mrs. Wang, Prof. and Mrs. Shellshear, Mr. and Mrs. Finnigan, Mr. A. H. Fenwick, Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Phoon, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Dr. and Mrs. Harston, Dr. Kirk, and about 100 medical students.

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## MONEY &amp; SHARES.

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 Documentary 4 months' sight ..... 2/14

## On Paris.

On demand ..... 1260  
 Credits 4 months' sight ..... 1385

## On Berlin.

On demand .....  
 On New York—

On demand ..... 495  
 Credits 60 days' sight ..... 514

## On Bombay.

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 On demand ..... 134 1/2

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On demand ..... 134 1/2  
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# RADIO TOPICS

## TO AUSTRALIA.

AMATEUR TRANSMITTER'S SUCCESS.

The Wireless Correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" (London) writes: Mr. Gerald Marcuse, the amateur transmitter, who, under a special licence from the Post Office, has been carrying out experiments in Empire broadcasting from his station, 2NM, at Caterham, Surrey, sent "The Daily Telegraph" a letter he has received from Western Australia commenting on the reception of his short-wave broadcasts. I have on several occasions referred to the fact that Mr. Marcuse's transmissions are being received well in the Dominions, but this particular letter Mr. Marcuse says contains the "most wonderful report yet received." It will be recalled that Mr. Marcuse is permitted to use a power of one kilowatt. Generally he broadcasts gramophone records. The letter, which is from Mr. A. Tostevin, 46, Railway Terrace, Mount Lawley, and dated September 26, reads:

"I have much pleasure in writing to let you know that on three occasions I have had the pleasure of hearing your broadcasting from London. The first was on your test night, the second was on your opening night, and again this morning, which was the best of all. I say this morning because it was 1.30 when I received it—that is, Perth, West Australian, time, which is two hours behind Sydney time. One of the items played on September 11 was so perfect that I thought it was Mr. Coxon, GAG, who is living near my place, and he plays the same piece on his gramophone when he is broadcasting—that is, the 'Triumphal March'."

"This morning I put the alarm-clock to wake me at 1.30 a.m., and after waiting for five minutes after tuning in I heard your carrier-wave, and in two or three minutes I heard you calling, and then a band record, a fox-trot, and announcements of different countries and persons. Then I heard the church bell striking, following after which the Church Service was heard better than if I were there in England sitting in the church—as I am hard of hearing. My set is a three-valve Reinartz, from 20 to 2,000 metres. I use it for our local station, 6WF, on 1,250 metres."

## WIRELESS STATIONS.

FINANCIAL PROPOSALS IN AUSTRALIA.

The discussion on the proposals for the financing of broadcasting services, which are contained in the report of the Royal Commission on Wireless, was terminated at a conference between representatives of the "A" class broadcasting stations in the Commonwealth in Melbourne on October 26, by the uncompromising refusal of the representatives of "3LO" to agree to subsidise unprofitable stations in the smaller States unless these stations are transferred to the control of "3LO." The conference, which was convened by the Prime Minister (Mr. Bruce) was adjourned to enable the representatives to discuss the commission's proposals with the other officers of the companies concerned. When it resumed, the representative of "3LO" repeated the stand taken on Tuesday, that "3LO" should not be expected to contribute to the cost of services in other States unless "3LO" controlled the stations. Mr. W. T. Conder, who represented "3LO," offered to take over all the unprofitable stations, and run them in conjunction with "3LO." This offer was strongly opposed by the representatives of the stations concerned, and a deadlock being reached the discussion of the financial proposals was abandoned.

The only other matter of importance, which was discussed was the

## BROADCASTING.

B.B.C.'s NEW HAND-BOOK.

The B.B.C. has issued a hand-book which constitutes the first official attempt at producing an encyclopedia of British broadcasting. Priced at two shillings, and comprising nearly 400 pages of closely-printed text, it deals with every aspect of broadcasting—past, present, and future. It gives something more than a "peep behind the scenes," being in the nature of a systematic exploration of the inner workings of broadcasting.

The chief divisions of the publication, after topics of general interest have been considered, deal with "programmes," "engineering," the international aspect of radio, publicity, various sidelights, and the wireless trade. With regard to programmes, the problem of the B.B.C. is put succinctly in the statement that it has "to provide some 60,000 hours annually of performance for an audience that is possibly never less than 1,000,000, and may sometimes reach 15,000,000." The solution is, according to the B.B.C.: "Give the public something 'slightly better' than it now thinks it likes." The nearest approach to the impossible ideal of universality has been found by way of balance. Even at the risk of the programme being called "bitty," it has been found necessary to compound it ordinarily of diverse elements, calculated not only for all kinds of people, but also for gradations of preference in the individual, not to mention the said individual's moods and reactions.

Then there are listeners' criticisms, of which the B.B.C. has only one complaint, namely, that there are not enough of them. Listeners are asked to present their problems, which will receive sympathetic consideration, though the hand-book says that it is not easy to placate the correspondent who calls everything he does not like or understand "piffle," or the regular listener who delivers himself at frequent intervals of letters in which he points out that the B.B.C. is beyond doubt "a hotbed of incompetence and drive." On the question of controversial broadcasts there is the statement that the admission of such matter is, by agreement, being tried out by small, gradual steps. The view of the corporation is that the presentation of sober and sane views of all sides of a controversy can only be productive of good. "Mere exclusion is a negative and evasive impartiality," the hand-book states.

There is a full discussion of the proposed regional scheme for redistribution of B.B.C. programmes, arranged so that all listeners may be assured of alternative programmes. One learns that at the beginning of 1927 the corporation appointed a committee of experts to consider the matter, and the various schemes suggested are set forth in detail. Technical questions of transmission and reception are considered in the engineering section, down to a glossary of terms. European broadcasting, Empire broadcasting, and World broadcasting are dealt with in a section which also includes a comprehensive series of foreign identification panels.

proposal by the Royal Commission that an Australian Wireless Committee should be constituted generally to supervise wireless services. Representatives of broadcasting companies contended that the existing method of control by the Postmaster-General, through the Director of Postal Services, and the manager of Wireless for the Commonwealth, had proved entirely satisfactory, and that, as far as broadcasting was concerned, there was no need for the proposed change. The conference agreed to inform the Ministry that it did not consider that the creation of an Australian Wireless Committee was desirable.

## ACUTE FRICTION.

COMMISSION'S REPORT CRITICISED.

Melbourne, Oct. 26.

Great interest has been taken in the long-continued negotiations between the Commonwealth Government and the Amalgamated Wireless in Australia, as the result of the recent report of the Royal Commission, following strong protests against the company's actions in various directions, and acute friction between the company and the Government. The commission's report included the following critical passages:

"Mr. Fisk's conduct in carrying out the powers entrusted to him created an atmosphere of hostility and distrust, which was manifested to the Commission throughout the Commonwealth. As the result of the company's acts and omissions, the company is regarded with suspicion, and its business methods have been disapproved throughout Australia. Its own selling agent in West Australia said he knows that the Amalgamated Wireless Company is undoubtedly the worst hated firm in Australia." The Commission recommended to the Commonwealth the purchase of the privately-owned shares of the company, thus obtaining complete control of the beam system and other wireless organisations, unless the company agreed to modify the excessive royalties and other conditions of which complaints were made. The Government was reluctant to abandon the present joint arrangement, but found it difficult to secure the company's acceptance of the Commission's demands.

Although the beam system has secured a large volume of traffic, there are several defects in the operation of the system, and serious delays, due largely to the fact that none of the company's senior officers had previous experience of cable traffic. None of the feeder stations linking other capital cities with Melbourne have yet been erected, thus particularly prejudicing Sydney, whence the largest volume of traffic emanates. Evidence of complete co-operation with the British Post Office does not exist. Technical experience indicates that it is impossible to eliminate "fading" periods unless an alternative wave length is installed. The preliminary tests of the Australian beam stations communicating with Canada have been reasonably successful, but it is unlikely that a continuous service will be possible unless an additional and shorter wave length is chosen.

## CHELMSFORD.

Heard in Singapore.

Mr. P. T. Daly, who has been very successful in listening in on long distance transmission—he had Sydney very well recently—was very fortunate one Sunday recently when at 6.25 o'clock he got the call sign, Hullo 5SW Chelmsford testing on 25 metres. The first item to come over was gramophone music and eight minutes later the voice said clearly, "That was H.M.V. record No. B5349 but I let the gramophone run down. This was followed by further gramophone music and remarks which were very clear.

There was next a speech on compulsory beauty (in connection with town laying-out) and at 9 o'clock was another speech, on travel, and then another record after the speaker had mentioned that he had mislaid it for the moment.

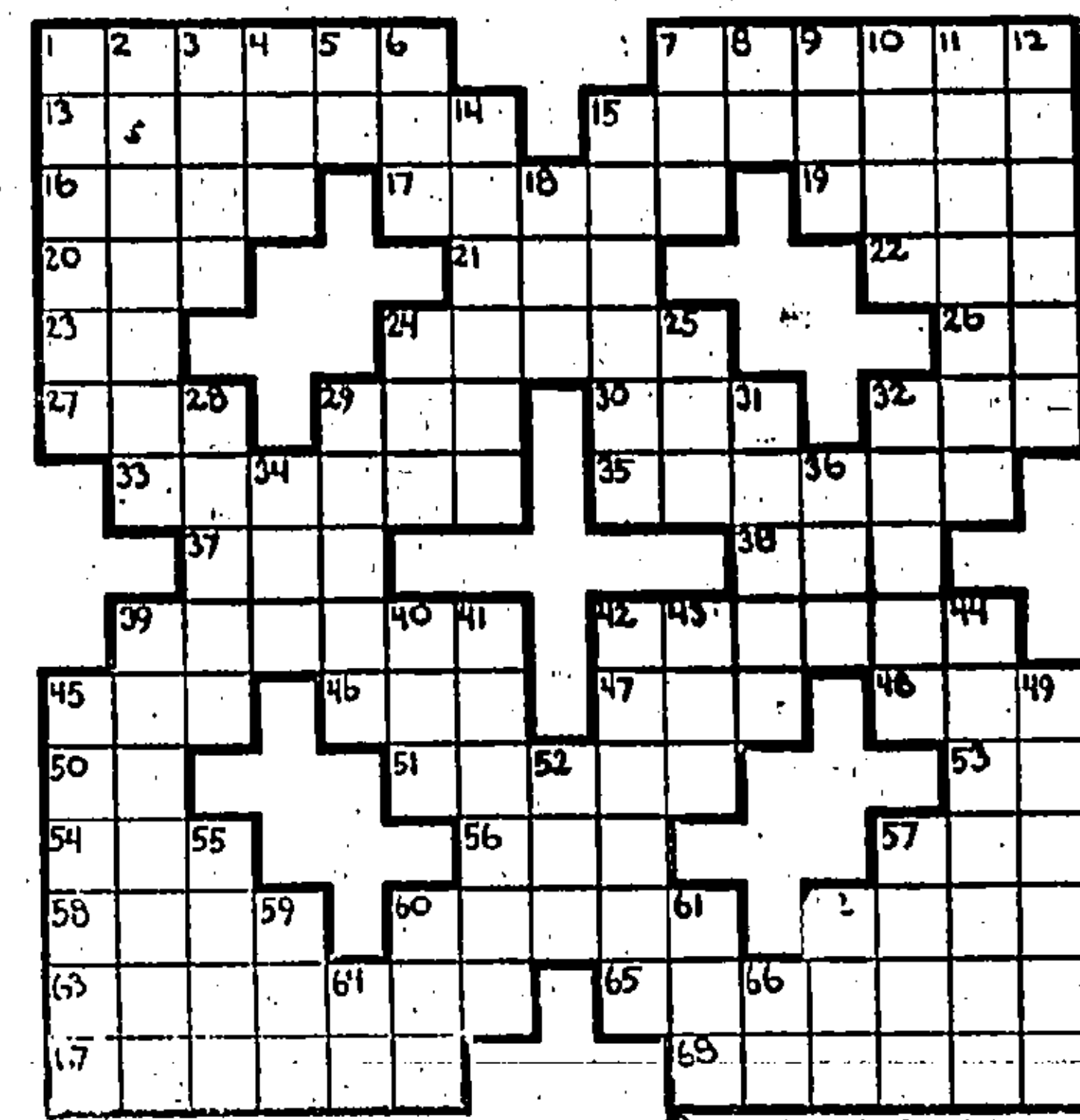
After a short break due to the listener-in taking a rest, the hearing was resumed at 10.10 when the speaker remarked that it was then 8.3 p.m. and later that the sun was shining and it was a fine October day. He then proceeded to open the windows of his room so that the church bells could be heard and the bell peals came over very distinctly.

Shortly after, another station came in and interrupted.

The hearing was conducted on 85 volts and the station sender was 5SW, Marconi Works, Chelmsford. —Singapore Free Press.

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



THE INTERNATIONAL BYNDICATE.

### HORIZONTAL

- 1-What is a descendant of Noah's second son called?
- 7-Who is king of Norway?
- 13-Who was the lover of Heloise?
- 15 With hand-dish?
- 16 A bank note?
- 17-Royal?
- 19-At sea?
- 20-Against (abbr.)?
- 21-To spoil?
- 22-A male child?
- 23-No (Scott.)?
- 24-O' what lake is Georgian Bay an arm?
- 26-A unit of weight (abbr.)?
- 27-Composure?
- 28-On account of?
- 30-Permit?
- 32-By way of?
- 33-What French author wrote "Gil Blas"?
- 35-Referring to the skin?
- 37-To move slowly?
- 38-To make ill?
- 39-Who asked for the head of John the Baptist?
- 42-Something said aside (pl.)?
- 45-A month (abbr.)?
- 46-To spread for drying?
- 48-A digit of a foot?
- 50-Short for "Albert"?
- 51-One of a fabled race of giants?
- 53-Lovers (abbr.)?
- 54-To ripple against, as waves?

### HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 55-A sailor?
- 57-I have, contracted?
- 58-A Turkish governor?
- 60-Poisonous?
- 62-Equal?
- 63-What is a bull-fighter armed with darts called?
- 65-Represented in a leaping attitude (Heraldry)?
- 67-Backward?
- 68-What are the smaller forms of vegetable life called?

### VERTICAL

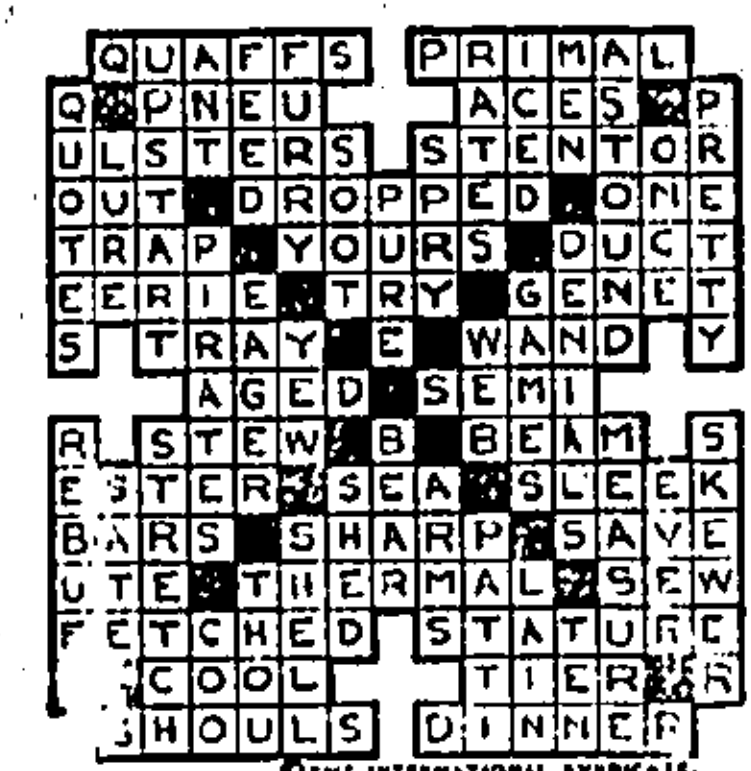
- 1-Capital of Cuba?
- 2-What is a lady's maid sometimes called?
- 3-To dissolve?
- 4-Sick?
- 5-What is the symbol for tantalum?
- 6-To mistake?
- 7-What was the nickname of Henry VIII of England?
- 8-Prefix—same as "ad"?
- 9-Girl's name?
- 10-To graze or touch slightly?
- 11-Animal fat?
- 12-What is a lake called in Africa?
- 14-Coy?
- 15-What English king was defeated at Hastings?
- 18-A fish?
- 24-A farm animal?
- 25-Born (French)?

### VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 28-Combining form—"black"?
- 29-A bundle of sticks for fuel?
- 31-A distinguishing feature of character?
- 32-Gentleman's body-servant?
- 34-What is Latin for salt?
- 38-Middle?
- 39-Off what island off the coast of Attica did Greeks defeat Persians in naval battle?
- 40-Encountered?
- 41-One having charge of a publication?
- 42-To which of his priests did Apollo give an arrow on which to ride?
- 43-A river in Galicia?
- 44-Having the power of dissolving?
- 45-A city in E. Mexico?
- 49-Anything that happens (pl.)?
- 52-To subject to severe strain?
- 55-A member of an ancient race in E. Scotland?
- 57-Who was founder of the Russian empire?
- 59-A coo (Scott.)?
- 60-A measure of weight?
- 61-To crown?
- 62-Greek letter, long E.
- 64-Doctor (abbr.)?
- 65-Low Latin (abbr.)?

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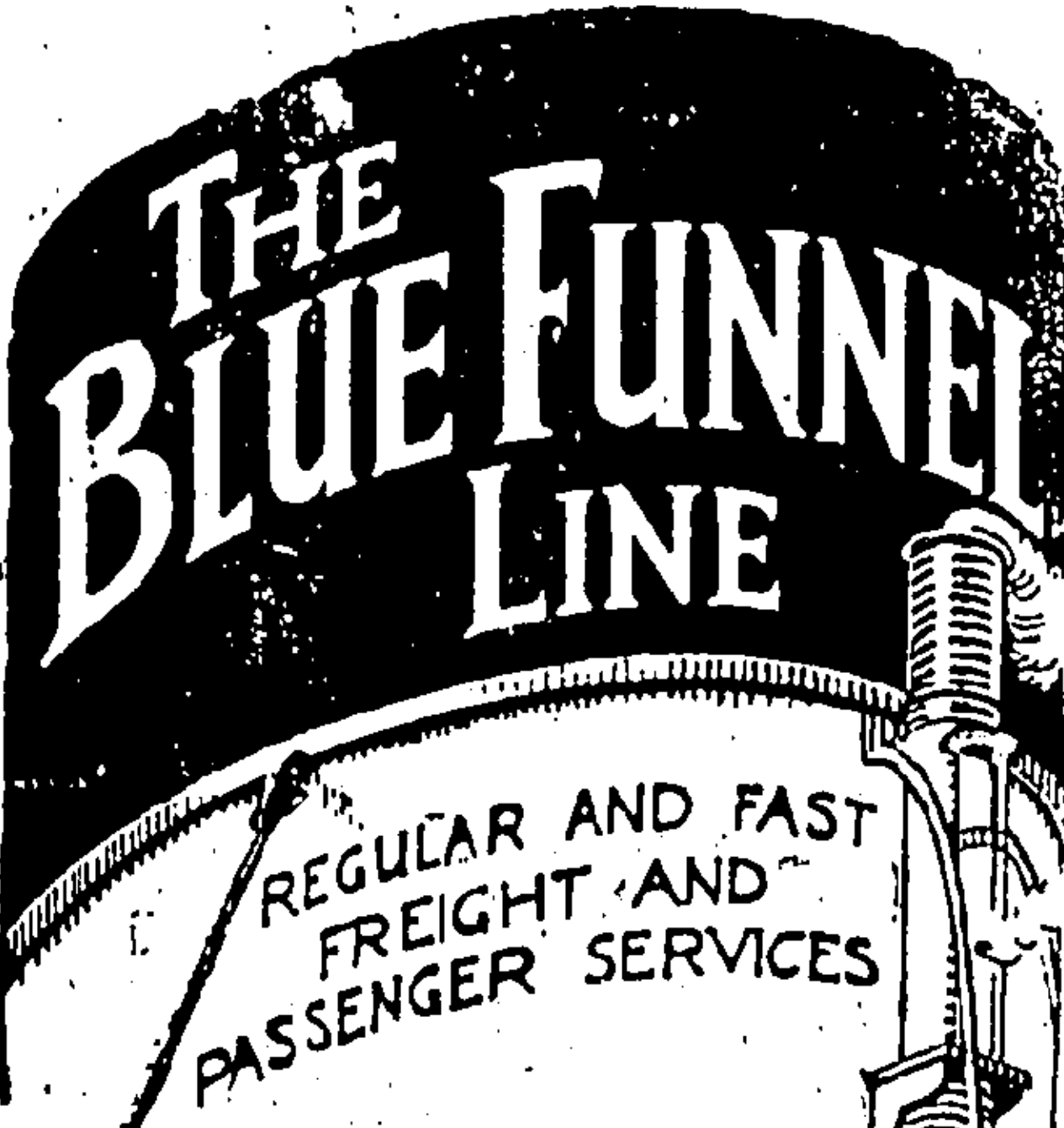
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For: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13  
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Swatow 2.30 p.m.  
Manila 2.30 p.m.  
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Shanghai 5 p.m.  
Amoy 5 p.m.  
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16  
Japan 9.30 a.m.  
Hokkaido, Fukuoka & Haiphong 10 p.m.  
Swatow, Amoy & Fookchow 10 p.m.  
Shanghai 5 p.m.  
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\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## OFF TO EUROPE.

Afghanistan Rulers' Departure.

### PICTURESQUE FAREWELL.

Vigorous Exhortation To Indian Factions.

Karachi, Yesterday.  
The King of Afghanistan's presence in India is creating a widespread stir in political circles, a sensation having been caused by His Majesty's vigorous exhortation to Moslems and Hindus to settle their differences.  
Dense crowds lined the route of the procession and gave him a tremendous ovation.  
The King attended a garden party of 900 Sind residents, who cheered his appeal to cease communal differences. He warmly thanked all communities in India for their hearty and affectionate welcome and denounced the "ignorant Mullahs" who divided the people. He said they were comparable to the Indian fakir going to Afghanistan doing nothing but mislead and beguile the



King of the Afghans.

people. Similarly the Afghan fakir who went to India to create disruption. "Such persons adopted these means to fill their own bellies and they disgrace their Motherland," he said.

Before leaving Quetta the King cordially replied to a telegram from King George, looking forward to his visit to London, which was sure to have the happiest results for the future of Anglo-Afghan relations.—Reuter.

### Crosses Frontier.

London, Yesterday.  
There were picturesque scenes at the departure of the King of Afghanistan on his European tour.  
His Majesty picked out a Malik, an ordinary soldier, and a cultivator from the crowd at Spinboldak Fort, kissed them, saying respectively: "This is my farewell to tribal leaders," "This my farewell to the Army," "This my farewell to the Peasants."  
Hundreds of his subjects ran the three miles to Chaman alongside His Majesty's red Rolls Royce car in which, amid the firing of a Royal salute, he crossed the frontier into Baluchistan.

### Advice to Officials.

His Majesty, attired in a khaki uniform, was accompanied by three staff officers and escorted by Bengal cavalry and an Air Force Squadron to the railway station along the three-mile route lined with saluting troops.

The Queen motored separately with her ladies-in-waiting all of whom were veiled.  
The Royal travellers were officially received at the station with military and musical honours; and messages of welcome were read from King George and the Viceroy.

Their Majesties, escorted by aeroplanes, then entrained for Quetta. Before leaving Kabul, the King in a message to his people said inter alia in advising the officials: "Take care that nobody perpetrates tyranny during my absence."—Reuter.

## EARTH TREMORS.

St. Louis, Nov. 28.  
Severe earth tremors at a distance of 4,380 miles were recorded at the St. Louis University seismograph. The earthquake is thought to have been destructive.

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The planted acreage will exceed 38,000 acres, including 1,000 devoted to coffee.—Reuter.

## CAPTAIN LALOR.

IMPRISONED NEAR TOWN OF SHASI.

London, Yesterday.  
The Admiralty has issued the following:—"Captain Lalor writes confidently but he is in considerable discomfort. Naval authorities have sent an antiseptic dressing for his wounded leg. He is within 10 miles of the town of Shasi. The pirates are very suspicious and arrangements for a rendezvous are extremely difficult, therefore Lalor's release may take some days.  
A bandit organisation is on the left bank of the Yangtze from Ichang to Shasi. It is very strong and military in character. Increased ransom has been demanded.—British Wireless Service.

## RUSSIA AND PEACE.

BRITAIN CONSIDERING PROPOSALS.

London, Yesterday.  
In the House of Commons today the Premier was asked whether he had now received a full account of the disarmament proposals made by the Russian Government at Geneva and what attitude the British Government would take at the next conference or commission at Geneva.

The Premier replied that the proceedings of the recent preparatory commission would receive careful consideration before the attitude of the Government at the next meeting of the Commission was determined.—British Wireless Service.

## 4-POWER TREATY.

NO CALL FOR JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

London, Yesterday.  
Asked whether the British Government has any intention of starting negotiations with Japan with a view to renewing the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, Comdr. Locker-Lampson said the Anglo-Japanese Alliance agreement was merged into a four-power treaty signed at Washington on December 13, 1921, and a return to the former dual alliance had not been suggested by either Government.—British Wireless Service.

## FRENCH BUDGET.

PASSED, AFTER A SUNDAY SITTING.

Paris, Yesterday.  
In obedience to M. Poincare's behest to speed up the Finance Bill, the Chamber all day on Sunday concentrated on the Budget, which was passed by 405 votes to 125 at an early hour in the morning.—Reuter.

## OFFICER RELEASED.

SWEDISH SPYING CHARGE DROPPED.

Stockholm, Yesterday.  
The Swedish officer who was charged with spying has been released, the police being of the opinion that his examination does not justify further legal proceedings.—Reuter.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/0 7/16.

## THE PRAYER BOOK.

Lords' Debate Opens on Revision.

AN OLD CONTROVERSY.

New Version Despite Opposition Accepted By Many.

London, Yesterday.  
The House of Lords presented its liveliest appearance since the war when the Archbishop of Canterbury moved the resolution in favour of accepting the new Prayer Book measure. There was an extraordinarily large attendance of Bishops in lawn, as well as a number of Peers and members of the Cabinet, including Mr. Baldwin. Members of Parliament and others filled the privileged accommodation.  
The debate will last till Wednesday. If the resolution is carried a similar motion will be submitted to the Commons on Thursday, after which the measure will be presented for the Royal Assent.—Reuter.

Rugby, Yesterday.  
In the House of Lords this afternoon, the Archbishop of Canterbury will initiate a debate on the motion that the Royal assent be given to a measure ap-



ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

proving the revised Book of Common Prayer for the Church of England.

The movement for revision began long before the war and during the past few years the proposal of a revised version, the use of which, if approved by Parliament, will be optional, has been the subject of much controversy.

A compromise.  
The new book represents a compromise between conflicting views and although opposition is forthcoming from both evangelical and high church clergy, the book has been accepted with large majorities by the Church Assembly, which is representative of both clergy and laymen.

Parliament must approve before the measure authorising the use of the new book receives the Royal assent. It may reject but it cannot amend the book.

Debate in Lords.  
The House of Lords has set aside three days for discussion and a division will be taken on Wednesday. The presence of the bishops in the Upper House gives special importance to the debate in that Chamber, as with few exceptions the bishops favour revision, but lay and clerical opponents of the measure include many persons prominent in public life and some members of Government in both Houses of Parliament.

It is generally believed that if the Lords approve the measure, it will secure the necessary majority in the Commons when, on Thursday, it is debated. If the Lords reject the measure, it will automatically be dropped.—British Wireless Service.

## BRITAIN AND EGYPT.

RESULTS OF RECENT CONVERSATIONS.

London, Yesterday.  
Commander Kenworthy, Labour, asked when it was proposed to make a statement in Parliament regarding the results of the conversations with representatives of the Egyptian Government as to the future relations of the British Government and the Royal Egyptian Government.  
Mr. Locker-Lampson said he was unable at present to make any statement, but the Foreign Secretary would take the House into his confidence at the earliest possible opportunity.—British Wireless Service.

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